

House Bill 1055

By: Representatives McBee of the 88<sup>th</sup>, Heard of the 89<sup>th</sup> and Hudgens of the 24<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Athens-Clarke County Board of Elections and Registration,  
2 approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4631), so as to change the composition and selection  
3 of the board; to provide for the selection of a chairperson for the board; to provide for the  
4 selection, removal, and duties of the supervisor of elections and registration; to provide for  
5 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act creating the Athens-Clarke County Board of Elections and Registration, approved  
9 April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4631), is amended by striking subsection (e) of Section 3 and  
10 inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (e) to read as follows:

11 "(e)(1) Upon the effective date of this Act, the fifth member of the board shall be  
12 appointed by the governing authority of Athens-Clarke County with an expiration date  
13 of December 31, 2003, for the initial term. Thereafter, such fifth member shall serve a  
14 term of four years. Upon appointment of the fifth member, the five members of the board  
15 shall elect a chairperson from among their membership, whose term shall expire at the  
16 beginning of the next calendar year after appointment. Thereafter, the five members of  
17 the board shall elect a chairperson from among their membership at the beginning of each  
18 calendar year. The chairperson shall have a term of one year and may be reelected. It  
19 shall be the duty of the chairperson to notify the supervisor of elections and registration  
20 in advance of all meetings of the board.

21 (2) The supervisor of elections and registration for Athens-Clarke County ('the  
22 Supervisor') shall not be a member of the board. The supervisor shall be appointed and  
23 removed by the manager of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County in the  
24 same manner as department heads. The supervisor shall provide daily employee  
25 supervision, serve as staff support for the board, attend all meetings of the board, carry

1 out the duties of voter registration and election as required by law, and be a full-time  
2 employee of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.