

House Bill 1067 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representatives Brown of the 130th, Epps of the 131st and Smith of the 102nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a board of education of Troup County, approved January 1, 1986
2 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 3515), as amended, so as to change the description of the education districts;
3 to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current
4 members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for
5 submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
6 amended; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act providing a board of education of Troup County, approved January 1, 1986 (Ga. L.
10 1986, p. 3515), as amended, is amended by striking Section 1 and inserting in its place a new
11 Section 1 to read as follows:

12 "SECTION 1.

13 (a) The Troup County School District shall be defined as all of Troup County. Those
14 members of the Board of Education of Troup County who are serving as such immediately
15 prior to the effective date of this Act and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such
16 office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their
17 respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective
18 successors. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Board of Education of Troup
19 County shall consist of seven members all of whom shall be elected from education
20 districts described in subsection (b) of this section.

21 (b) For purposes of electing members of the board of education, the Troup County School
22 District is divided into seven education districts. One member of the board shall be elected
23 from each such district. The seven education districts shall be and correspond to those
24 seven numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and

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2 Administrator: CNTY-TROUP.

3 (c) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean
4 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of
5 the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The
6 separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading
7 shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report
8 of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of
9 Georgia. Any part of the Troup County School District which is not included in any such
10 district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such
11 part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census
12 of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of the Troup County School District which is
13 described in that attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be
14 included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such
15 noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part
16 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000
17 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any education
18 district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the
19 geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States
20 decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia."

21 SECTION 2.

22 Said Act is further amended by striking Section 4 and inserting in its place a new Section 4
23 to read as follows:

24 "SECTION 4.

25 (a) The members of the Board of Education of Troup County shall be elected as provided
26 in this subsection. The first members from Education Districts 1, 4, and 7 shall be elected
27 at the general election on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November 2002.
28 Those members of the board elected thereto from Education Districts 1, 4, and 7 in 2002
29 shall take office the first day of January immediately following that election and shall serve
30 for initial terms of office which expire December 31, 2006, and upon the election and
31 qualification of their respective successors. The first members from Education Districts
32 2, 3, 5, and 6 shall be elected at the general election on the Tuesday next following the first
33 Monday in November 2004. Those members of the board elected thereto from Education
34 Districts 2, 3, 5, and 6 in 2004 shall take office the first day of January immediately
35 following that election and shall serve for initial terms of office which expire December

1 31, 2008, and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors. Those and
2 all future successors to members of the board whose terms of office are to expire shall be
3 elected at the time of the state-wide general election immediately preceding the expiration
4 of such terms, shall take office the first day of January immediately following that election,
5 and shall serve for terms of office of four years each. Members of the board shall serve for
6 the terms of office specified therefor in this subsection and until their respective successors
7 are elected and qualified.

8 (b) Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, as they exist immediately prior to the
9 effective date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4,
10 5, 6, and 7, respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the
11 effective date of this Act, such members of the board serving from those former education
12 districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as
13 newly described under this Act.

14 (c) All members of the board who are elected thereto shall be nominated and elected in
15 accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code' in
16 nonpartisan elections as provided in Code Section 21-2-139 of the O.C.G.A."

17 SECTION 3.

18 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the Board of Education of Troup County to submit this
19 Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

20 SECTION 4.

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