

House Bill 1270 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representative Broome of the 160th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Seminole County, approved
2 August 16, 1920 (Ga. L. 1920, p. 610), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March
3 12, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4073), so as to reapportion the commissioner districts; to provide
4 for members currently serving; to provide for the submission of this Act to the United States
5 Department of Justice; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Seminole County, approved August 16,
10 1920 (Ga. L. 1920, p. 610), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 12, 1984
11 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4073), is amended by striking in its entirety Section 2 and inserting in lieu
12 thereof the following:

13 "SECTION 2.

14 The Board of Commissioners of Seminole County shall consist of five members to be
15 elected as provided in this Act. For the purpose of electing such members, Seminole
16 County shall be divided into five districts as follows:

17 County Commissioner District No. 1: Begin at a point where State Route #91 intersects
18 with the western boundary of Seminole County; thence, proceed in an easterly direction
19 along the center of State Route #91 until it intersects with the J Q Harvey - River Road;
20 thence, proceed in a northerly direction along the center of the J Q Harvey - River Road
21 until it intersects with the Phil Spooner Road; thence, proceed in an easterly direction
22 along the center of Phil Spooner Road until it intersects with State Route 91; thence, then
23 proceed in a northerly direction along the center of State Route #91 until it intersects with
24 the southern boundary of the City of Donalsonville; thence, proceed in an easterly
25 direction along the southern boundary of the City of Donalsonville until it intersects with
26 State Route #39; thence, proceed in a southerly direction along the center of State Route

1 #39 until it intersects with Fishpond Drain; thence, proceed in a southerly direction along
2 the center of Fishpond Drain until it intersects with the Peanut Bland Road; thence,
3 proceed in a westerly direction along the center of the Peanut Bland Road until it
4 intersects with the F B Faircloth Road; thence, proceed in a southerly direction along the
5 center of F B Faircloth Road until it intersects with the Burke Road; thence, proceed in
6 a westerly direction along the center of the Burke Road until it intersects with State Route
7 #39; thence, proceed in a southerly direction along the center of State Route #39 until it
8 intersects with State Route #253; thence, proceed in a westerly direction along the center
9 of State Route #253 until it ends; thence, forming an imaginary line crossing Lake
10 Seminole, running in the same westerly direction as State Route #253, until the imaginary
11 line intersects with the western boundary of Seminole County; thence, proceed in a
12 northerly direction along the western boundary of Seminole County until it reaches the
13 point of beginning.

14 County Commissioner District No. 2: Beginning at the northwest corner of Seminole
15 County; thence, proceed in an easterly direction along the northern boundary of Seminole
16 County until it intersects with the center of State Route #91; thence, proceed in a
17 southerly direction along the center of State Route #91 until it intersects with the Phil
18 Spooner Road; thence, proceed in a westerly direction along the center of the Phil
19 Spooner Road until it intersects with the J Q Harvey - River Road; thence, proceed in a
20 southerly direction along the center of the J Q Harvey - River Road until it intersects with
21 State Route #91; thence, proceed in a westerly direction along the center of State Route
22 #91 until it intersects with the western boundary of Seminole County; thence, proceed in
23 a northerly direction along the western boundary of Seminole County until it reaches the
24 point of beginning.

25 County Commissioner District No. 3: Beginning at a point where the east right of way
26 line of State Route #91 intersects the Northern boundary of the City of Donalsonville and
27 from said point proceed easterly along the northern boundary of the City of Donalsonville
28 until it corners south; thence proceed in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary
29 of the City of Donalsonville until it corners west; thence, proceed in a westerly direction
30 along the southern boundary of the City of Donalsonville until it intersects with State
31 Route #91; thence, proceed in a northerly direction along the center of State Route #91
32 to the point of beginning.

33 County Commissioner District No. 4: Beginning at the northeast corner of Seminole
34 County; thence, proceed in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary of Seminole
35 County until it intersects with State Route #253; thence; proceed in a southerly direction
36 along the center of State Route #253 until it intersects with Burke Road; thence, proceed
37 in a westerly direction along the center of Burke Road until it intersects with Fishpond

1 Drain; thence, proceed along the center of Fishpond Drain until it intersects with State
 2 Route #39; thence, proceed in a northerly direction along the center of State Route #39
 3 until it intersects with the southern boundary of the City of Donalsonville; thence,
 4 proceed in an easterly direction along the southern boundary of the City of Donalsonville
 5 until it corners north; thence, proceed in a northerly direction along the eastern boundary
 6 of the City of Donalsonville until it corners west; thence, proceed in a westerly direction
 7 along the norther boundary of the City of Donalsonville until it intersects with State
 8 Route #91; thence, proceed in a northerly direction along the center of State Route #91
 9 until it intersects with the northern boundary of Seminole County; thence, proceed in an
 10 easterly direction along the northern boundary of Seminole county to the point of
 11 beginning.

12 County Commissioner District No. 5: All remaining lands not contained in districts one,
 13 two, three and four and being bounded on the east, west, and south by original county
 14 lines and on the north by the south lines of districts one and four shall be known as
 15 district five.

16 Any part of Seminole County which is not included in any county commissioner district
 17 described in this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which
 18 contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for
 19 the State of Georgia. Any part of Seminole County which is described as being in a
 20 particular county commissioner district shall nevertheless not be included within such
 21 county commissioner district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such
 22 noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that county commissioner district
 23 contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States
 24 decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the
 25 description of any county commissioner district, whenever the description of such district
 26 refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on
 27 the census map for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 It is the purpose of this Act to reapportion the districts from which members of the Board of
 30 Commissioners of Seminole County are to be elected in the November, 2002, general
 31 election and in subsequent general elections, and this Act results from changes in population
 32 based on the United States decennial census of 2000. It is not the intention of the General
 33 Assembly to affect the membership of current members of the board, their terms of office,
 34 or the manner in which their successors shall be elected, and such matters shall remain as
 35 provided by law on the effective date of this Act until otherwise amended by law, except to
 36 the extent of reapportioning the districts represented by such members.

