

House Bill 1510

By: Representative Jenkins of the 110<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating a board of commissioners for Monroe County, approved August  
2 19, 1907 (Ga. L. 1907, p. 318), as amended, particularly by an Act approved February 25,  
3 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 3881), so as to reapportion the commissioner districts; to provide for  
4 definitions and inclusions; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the  
5 federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for an effective date; 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 a board of commissioners for Monroe County, approved August 19, 1907  
10 (Ga. L. 1907, p. 318), as amended, particularly by an Act approved February 25, 1993 (Ga.  
11 L. 1993, p. 3881), as amended, is amended by striking subsections (a), (b), and (d) of Section  
12 1 and inserting in their places, respectively, the following:

13 "(a) There is created the Board of Commissioners of Monroe County which shall conduct  
14 and administer the county affairs of Monroe County. The board shall be composed of five  
15 members. For the purpose of electing members of the board, Monroe County shall be  
16 divided into four commissioner districts. The four commissioner districts shall be and  
17 correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part  
18 of this Act and further identified as Plan Name: monroecc2001 Plan Type: LOCAL User:  
19 P Chapman Administrator: CNTY-MONROE.

20 (b) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean  
21 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of  
22 the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The  
23 separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading  
24 shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report  
25 of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of  
26 Georgia. Any part of Monroe County which is not included in any such district described

1 in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which  
2 contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for  
3 the State of Georgia. Any part of Monroe County which is described in that attachment as  
4 being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such  
5 part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included  
6 within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according  
7 to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise  
8 provided in the description of any commissioner district, whenever the description of such  
9 district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as  
10 shown on the census map for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of  
11 Georgia."

12 "(d) Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4 as they exist on December 31, 2001, shall  
13 continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, but as  
14 newly described under this Act, and on and after January 1, 2002, such members of the  
15 board serving from those former commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from  
16 and representing their respective districts as newly described under this section."

## 17 **SECTION 2.**

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

## 21 **SECTION 3.**

22 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2002.

## 23 **SECTION 4.**

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