

House Bill 1559

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 48-5-45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 homestead exemption applications, so as to change the provisions relating to population  
3 brackets and the census relative to the time for making such applications in certain counties;  
4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 48-5-45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to homestead  
8 exemption applications, is amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in its place a new  
9 subsection (b) to read as follows:

10 "(b) In all counties having a population of not less than ~~81,300~~ 100,000 nor more than  
11 ~~89,000~~ 103,000 according to the United States decennial census of ~~1990~~ 2000 or any future  
12 such census, the written application and schedule required in subsection (a) of this Code  
13 section shall be filed on or before March 1 of the year in which exemption from taxation  
14 is sought."

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.