

House Bill 1683

By: Representatives Ray of the 128th and James of the 140th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act entitled "An Act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues
2 for Peach County," approved March 10, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p. 2627), as amended,
3 particularly by an Act approved March 21, 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2473) and an Act approved
4 April 9, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4098), so as to provide for membership of such board of
5 commissioners; to provide for the election and terms of office of members; to provide for the
6 description of the districts from which members of such board are elected; to define certain
7 terms; to provide for the submission of this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the
8 federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to repeal conflicting laws and for other
9 purposes.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

12 An Act entitled "An Act to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for Peach
13 County," approved March 10, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p. 2627), as amended, particularly by an
14 Act approved March 21, 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2473) and an Act approved April 9, 1999 (Ga.
15 L. 1999, p. 4098), is amended by striking Sections 1, 2, and 2A and inserting in their place
16 the following:

17 "SECTION 1.

18 There is created the Board of Commissioners of Peach County to be composed of five
19 members. At the first regular meeting in January of each year, the members shall elect from
20 among themselves a chairperson to serve a term of one year. The board is authorized to
21 elect a vice chairperson in the event such is deemed advisable.

SECTION 2.

(a) For purposes of electing a Board of Commissioners of Peach County, Peach County shall be divided into five commissioner districts as provided in this subsection. One member of the board shall be elected from each such district by the voters voting in such district. Commissioner districts one through four shall be and correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of the 2002 amendatory Act to this Act and further identified as Plan Name: peachccsb2 Plan Type: Local User: staff Administrator: Peach. Commissioner district five shall consist of the whole of Peach County.

(b) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Peach County which is not included in any such district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Peach County which is described in that attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any commissioner district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.

(c) The commissioners representing commissioner districts two and four shall be elected at the general election held in November of 2002 and shall take office on January 1, 2003, for terms of four years. The commissioners representing commissioner districts one, three, and five shall be elected at the general election held in November of 2004 and shall take office on January 1, 2005, for terms of four years. Thereafter, their successors shall serve terms of four years. The chairperson of the board shall be compensated in the amount of \$600.00 per month payable monthly from the funds of Peach County. The members, other than the chairperson, shall be compensated in the amount of \$500.00 per month payable monthly from the funds of Peach County."

