

House Bill 1684

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 Providing for the Board of Education of Peach County,"
2 approved March 20, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 4155), as amended, so as to provide for
3 membership of such board; to provide for the election and terms of office of members; to
4 provide for the description of the districts from which members of such board are elected;
5 to define certain terms; to provide for the submission of this Act for approval pursuant to
6 Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to repeal conflicting laws
7 and for other purposes.

8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act entitled "An Act Providing for the Board of Education of Peach County," approved
11 March 20, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 4155), as amended, is amended by striking Section 1 and
12 inserting in its place the following:

13 **"SECTION 1.**

14 (a) There is created the Board of Education of Peach County to be composed of five
15 members.

16 (b) For purposes of electing a Board of Education of Peach County, the Peach County
17 School District shall be divided into five education districts as provided in this subsection.
18 One member of the board shall be elected from each such district by the voters voting in
19 such district. Education districts one through four shall be and correspond to those four
20 numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of the 2002 amendatory
21 Act to this Act and further identified as Plan Name: peachccsb2 Plan Type: Local User:
22 staff Administrator: Peach. Education district five shall consist of the whole of the Peach
23 County School District.

24 (c) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean
25 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of

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

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 The members representing education districts two, four, and five shall be elected at the
19 general election held in November of 2002 and shall take office on January 1, 2003 for terms
20 of four years. The members representing education districts one, and three shall be elected
21 at the general election held in November of 2004 and shall take office on January 1, 2005 for
22 terms of four years. Thereafter, their successors shall serve terms of four years. It is the
23 purpose of this Act to reapportion the districts from which members of the Board of
24 Education of Peach County are to be elected in the November, 2002, general election and in
25 subsequent general elections, and this Act results from changes in population based on the
26 United States decennial census of 2000. It is not the intention of the General Assembly to
27 affect the membership of current members of the board, their terms of office, or the manner
28 in which their successors shall be elected, and such matters shall remain as on the effective
29 date of this Act until otherwise amended by law, except to the extent of reapportioning the
30 districts represented by such members.

31 **SECTION 3.**

32 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the Peach County School District to submit this Act for
33 approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

