

House Bill 1691

By: Representative Lanier of the 145th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating a new board of education of Jenkins County, approved April 3,
2 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2965), as amended, so as to revise the districts for the election of
3 members of the board of education; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for
4 submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights
5 Act of 1965, as amended; 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 a new board of education of Jenkins County, approved April 3, 1968
10 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2965), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (b) of Section 1 and
11 inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows:

12 "(b) For the purpose of electing members of the board of education of Jenkins County, the
13 Jenkins County School District shall be divided into five education districts. The districts
14 shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described in and attached to and
15 made a part of this Act and further identified as Plan Name: jenkccsb3 Plan Type: Local
16 User: Gina Administrator: Jenkins Co.

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

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

8 **SECTION 2.**

9 Said Act is further amended by striking Section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof a new
 10 Section 2 to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 2.

12 (a) The members of the board of education who were elected at the general election in
 13 November 1998 shall continue in office for the terms to which they were elected and until
 14 successors are elected and qualified as provided in this Act. The members of the board of
 15 education who were elected at the general election in November 2000 shall continue in
 16 office for the terms to which they were elected and until successors are elected and
 17 qualified as provided in this Act.

18 (b) The first members of the reconstituted board of education of Jenkins County from
 19 Education Districts 2 and 5 shall be elected at the state-wide general election in 2002. Such
 20 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and
 21 until their successors are elected and qualified.

22 (c) The first members of the reconstituted board of education of Jenkins County from
 23 Education Districts 1, 3, and 4 shall be elected at the state-wide general election in 2004.
 24 Such members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four
 25 years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

26 (d) Successors to members elected under subsections (b) and (c) of this section shall be
 27 elected at the state-wide general election next preceding the expiration of such terms of
 28 office and shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and
 29 until their successors are elected and qualified.

30 (e) Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 as they existed on January 1, 2002, shall continue
 31 to be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, but as newly
 32 described under this Act, and, on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of
 33 the board serving from those former education districts shall be deemed to be serving from
 34 and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act."

