

House Bill 1750

By: Representative Hanner of the 159th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the board of education for the Schley County School District,
2 approved March 4, 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 2955), as amended, so as to change the description
3 of the education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for
4 continuation in office of current members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval
5 under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to
6 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act providing for the board of education for the Schley County School District, approved
10 March 4, 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 2955), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (a) of
11 Section 1 and inserting in its place a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

12 "(a)(1) For purposes of electing members of the board of education other than the at-large
13 member, the Schley County School District is divided into four education districts. One
14 member of the board shall be elected from each such district. The four education districts
15 shall be and correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and
16 made a part of this Act and further identified as Plan Name: schley2 Plan Type: Local
17 User: staff Administrator: Schley Co. The fifth member of the board shall be elected at
18 large from the entire Schley County School District and such position shall be designated
19 as Education District 5.

20 (2) 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
22 of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.
23 The separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG'
24 heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in
25 the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for
26 the State of Georgia. Any part of the Schley County School District which is not

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

13 (3) Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, as they exist immediately prior to the effective
14 date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5,
15 respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date
16 of this Act, such members of the board serving from those former education districts shall
17 be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly
18 described under this Act."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the Board of Education of Schley County to submit this
21 Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

22 **SECTION 3.**

23 This section and Section 2 of this Act and those provisions of this Act necessary for the
24 election of members of the Board of Education of Schley County in 2002 shall become
25 effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without
26 such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2003.

27 **SECTION 4.**

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