Senate Bill 567

By: Senator Gillis of the 20th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Soperton, approved March 14, 1984
- 2 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4212), as amended, so as to change the description of the council districts;
- 3 to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current
- 4 members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights
- 5 Act of 1965, as amended; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
- 6 other purposes.

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7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 SECTION 1.

- 9 An Act providing a new charter for the City of Soperton, approved March 14, 1984 (Ga. L.
- 10 1984, p. 4212), as amended, is amended by striking Section 5.12 and inserting in its place
- 11 a new Section 5.12 to read as follows:

12 "SECTION 5.12.

Districts.

- 14 (a) For purposes of electing members of the city council, other than the mayor, the City
- of Soperton is divided into five council districts. One member of the city council shall be
- elected from each such district. The five council districts shall be and correspond to those

five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further

- identified as Plan Name: sopercc2r Plan Type: Local User: Staff Administrator: Soperton.
- 19 (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
- 21 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 the City of Soperton 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
- 3 for the State of Georgia. Any part of the City of Soperton which is described in that
- 4 attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such
- 5 district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead
- 6 be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population
- 7 according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.
- 8 (c) The Council Posts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, as they exist on December 31, 2002, shall be
- 9 redesignated as Council Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, and as newly described
- under this Act, and on and after January 1, 2003, such members of the council serving from
- those former posts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective
- council districts as newly described under this Act."

13 SECTION 2.

- 14 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the governing authority of the City of Soperton to
- submit this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965,
- 16 as amended.

17 SECTION 3.

18 This Act shall become effective January 1, 2003.

19 **SECTION 4.**

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

- 1 Plan Name: sopercc2r Plan Type: Local User: Staff Administrator: Soperton
- 2 Redistricting Plan Components Report
- 3 District 001
- 4 Treutlen County
- 5 Tract: 9602
- 6 BG: 4
- 7 4012 4013 4014 4015 4016 4017 4018 4030 4031 4032 4033 4034
- 8 4036 4037 4038 4039 4055 4056
- 9 BG: 5
- 10 5011 5012 5013 5014 5015 5016 5017 5033 5035
- 11 District 002
- 12 Treutlen County
- 13 Tract: 9602
- 14 BG: 2
- 15 2039 2040
- 16 BG: 3
- 17 3001 3002 3003 3004 3005 3006 3007 3008 3054 3055 3056 3057
- 18 BG: 4
- 19 4035
- 20 District 003
- 21 Treutlen County
- 22 Tract: 9602
- 23 BG: 1
- 24 1051 1052 1053 1054 1059
- 25 BG: 4
- 26 4000 4049 4050 4052 4057 4058
- 27 BG: 5
- 28 5006 5007 5008 5009 5010 5034 5036 5073 5074 5075
- 29 District 004

- 1 Treutlen County
- 2 Tract: 9602
- 3 BG: 1
- 4 1035 1036 1055 1056 1057 1058
- 5 BG: 2
- 6 2046 2048 2049 2050 2051 2052 2053 2054 2057 2058 2059 2060
- 7 2061 2062 2063
- 8 BG: 3
- 9 3000
- 10 BG: 4
- 11 4001 4002 4003 4004 4005 4006 4007 4008 4009 4010 4011 4019
- 12 4020 4021 4022 4023 4024 4025 4026 4027 4028 4029 4040 4041
- 13 4042 4043 4044 4045 4046 4047 4048 4051 4053 4054
- 14 District 005
- 15 Treutlen County
- 16 Tract: 9602
- 17 BG: 1
- 18 1032 1033 1034 1037 1038 1039 1046 1047 1048 1049 1050 1060
- 19 1061
- 20 BG: 2
- 21 2047 2055 2056
- 22 BG: 5
- 23 5000 5001 5002 5003 5004 5005 5041 5042 5043 5044 5045 5046
- 24 5076 5077 5078 5079 5080 5082