

Senate Bill 537

By: Senator Williams of the 6th

AS PASSED

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

To amend an Act providing for the election of members of the Board of Education of Toombs County, approved March 31, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 5121), as amended, so as to change the description of the education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act providing for the election of members of the Board of Education of Toombs County, approved March 31, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 5121), as amended, is amended by striking Sections 1 and 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"SECTION 1.

(a) Those members of the Board of Education of Toombs County who are serving as such on December 31, 2002, and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors. On and after January 1, 2003, the Board of Education of Toombs County shall consist of six members all of whom shall be elected from education districts described in subsection (b) of this section except for the member who is chairperson and who is elected at large as provided in Section 5.

(b) For purposes of electing members of the board of education, other than the chairperson, the Toombs County School District is divided into six education districts. One member of the board shall be elected from each such district. The six education districts shall be and correspond to those six numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of

1 this Act and further identified as Plan Name: toombssbwk2 Plan Type: Local User: Blake
2 Administrator: Toombs.

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

21 SECTION 2.

22 (a) The members of the Board of Education of Toombs County shall be elected as
23 provided in this subsection. The members from Education Districts 1, 3, and 5 shall be
24 elected at the general election on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in
25 November, 2002. The chairperson and those members of the board elected thereto from
26 Education Districts 1, 3, and 5 in 2002 shall take office the first day of January
27 immediately following that election and shall serve for initial terms of office which expire
28 December 31, 2006, and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.
29 The members from Education Districts 2, 4, and 6 shall be elected at the general election
30 on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2004. Those members of
31 the board elected thereto from Education Districts 2, 4, and 6 in 2004 shall take office the
32 first day of January immediately following that election and shall serve for initial terms of
33 office which expire December 31, 2008, and upon the election and qualification of their
34 respective successors. Those and all future successors to members of the board whose
35 terms of office are to expire shall be elected at the time of the state-wide general election
36 immediately preceding the expiration of such terms, shall take office the first day of

1 January immediately following that election, and shall serve for terms of office of four
2 years each. Members of the board shall serve for the terms of office specified in this
3 subsection and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

4 (b) Education Districts 2, 4, and 6, as they exist on December 31, 2002, shall continue to
5 be designated as Education Districts 2, 4, and 6, respectively, but as newly described under
6 this Act, and on and after January 1, 2003, such members of the board serving from those
7 former education districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their
8 respective districts as newly described under this Act."

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 Said Act is further amended by striking Sections 3 and 6.

11 **SECTION 3.**

12 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the Board of Education of Toombs County to submit
13 this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
14 amended.

15 **SECTION 4.**

16 This section and Section 3 of this Act and those provisions of this Act necessary for the
17 election of members of the Board of Education of Toombs County in 2002 shall become
18 effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without
19 such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2003.

20 **SECTION 5.**

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

1 Plan Name: toombssbwk2 Plan Type: Local User: Blake Administrator: Toombs

2 Redistricting Plan Components Report

3 District 001

4 Toombs County

5 Tract: 9701

6 BG: 1

7 1027 1028 1029 1045 1046 1047 1049 1050 1051 1052 1053 1054

8 1055 1056 1057

9 BG: 2

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12 2026 2030 2031 2032 2033 2034 2035 2036 2043 2044

13 BG: 3

14 Tract: 9702

15 BG: 2

16 2005 2006 2010 2016 2022 2024 2025 2032 2034 2035 2036 2037

17 2038 2039 2040 2041 2042 2057 2058 2059 2060 2061 2062 2064

18 Tract: 9705

19 BG: 1

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21 BG: 2

22 2000 2001 2006

23 District 002

24 Toombs County

25 Tract: 9701

26 BG: 2

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28 Tract: 9702

29 BG: 1

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 8 Tract: 9704
 9 BG: 4
 10 4000
 11 Tract: 9705
 12 BG: 1
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 16 BG: 2
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 19 2072

20 District 003
 21 Toombs County
 22 Tract: 9701
 23 BG: 1
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 29 BG: 4
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 31 Tract: 9702
 32 BG: 1
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1 Tract: 9703
 2 BG: 1
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 5 District 004
 6 Toombs County
 7 Tract: 9703
 8 BG: 3
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 10 BG: 5
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13 District 006
14 Toombs County
15 Tract: 9701
16 BG: 4
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