

House Bill 379

By: Representative Channell of the 111<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To provide for the nonpartisan nomination and election of the judge of the Probate Court of  
2 Putnam County; to provide for terms of office; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 At the state-wide primary and November general election conducted in 2004 and every four  
7 years thereafter, the judge of the Probate Court of Putnam County shall be nominated and  
8 elected by the qualified voters of Putnam County in a nonpartisan primary and election.  
9 Persons elected to such office shall take office the first day of January immediately following  
10 such election and shall serve for a term of office of four years and until the election and  
11 qualification of their respective successors. The procedures for such nonpartisan primary and  
12 election shall be as provided in Code Section 21-2-139 of the O.C.G.A. Except as otherwise  
13 provided in this Act, the primary and election shall be governed by Chapter 2 of Title 21 of  
14 the O.C.G.A., the "Georgia Election Code."

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.