

House Bill 1773 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Lucas of the 124th, Reichert of the 126th, Randall of the 127th and Ray of the 128th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act establishing a board of commissioners of Bibb County, approved February
2 6, 1873 (Ga. L. 1873, p. 219), as amended, so as to change the descriptions of the four
3 commissioner districts; to define certain terms; to provide for continuation in office of
4 current members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting
5 Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and
6 for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act establishing a board of commissioners of Bibb County, approved February 6, 1873
10 (Ga. L. 1873, p. 219), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (a) of Section 1 and
11 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

12 "(a)(1) There is created the board of commissioners of Bibb County to be elected as
13 provided in this section. For the purpose of electing members of the board, Bibb County
14 is divided into four commissioner districts. The four commissioner districts shall be and
15 correspond to those numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of
16 this Act and further identified as Plan Name: Bibbcc1 Plan Type: Local User: Linda
17 Administrator: Bibb.

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

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

10 **SECTION 2.**

11 Districts 1 through 4 as they exist immediately prior to the effective date of the district
12 descriptions provided by this Act shall continue to be designated as Districts 1 through 4,
13 respectively, but as newly described under this Act; and on and after the effective date of the
14 district descriptions provided by this Act, such members of the board serving from those
15 former districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing districts as newly
16 described under this Act.

17 **SECTION 3.**

18 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the board of commissioners of Bibb County to submit
19 this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
20 amended.

21 **SECTION 4.**

22 Sections 3 through 5 of this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor
23 or upon its becoming law without such approval; and the remaining provisions of this Act
24 shall become effective January 1, 2003.

25 **SECTION 5.**

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