

House Bill 516

By: Representative Morris of the 155th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act entitled "A bill to create a new charter for the Town of Mount Vernon,
2 Georgia," approved August 18, 1919 (Ga. L. 1919, p. 1118), as amended, so as to provide
3 for the appointment of a municipal judge; to provide for certain punishments for violations
4 of city ordinances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act entitled "A bill to create a new charter for the Town of Mount Vernon, Georgia,"
8 approved August 18, 1919 (Ga. L. 1919, p. 1118), as amended, is amended by striking in its
9 entirety Section 28 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

10 "SECTION 28.

11 Be if further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that said mayor and council shall have full
12 power to administer the government of said town, said mayor shall have authority to
13 appoint a municipal court judge who shall have the authority to hold court in said town, at
14 such times and places as he or she may designate or appoint for the trial of persons charged
15 with offenses against the rules, regulations, ordinances, and bylaws of said town, and for
16 such violations to punish by fine, probation, imprisonment, community service, or any
17 combination thereof as set forth, prescribed, and authorized by statute or ordinance. Said
18 judge is authorized to issue search and arrest warrants for investigations and crimes
19 occurring within the limits of the Town of Mt. Vernon. Warrants issued under this
20 provision may be executed by any arresting officer of said town or any officer authorized
21 to execute warrants under the laws of said state, either within or outside the limits of said
22 town. Said judge shall have the power and authority to act as a committing court,
23 investigate charges of violations against the laws of said state, and bind over persons upon
24 investigations if in his or her judgment there is reason to suspect that the laws of said state
25 have been violated for such penal offense."

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SECTION 2.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.