

House Bill 111

By: Representatives Holmes of the 53rd, Martin of the 47th, Bohannon of the 139th and Mobley of the 69th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections, so as to
2 change a provision for a later closing of the polls in certain cities; to provide that such
3 provision shall not apply in a primary or election for county, state, or federal officers or in
4 an election to put a question to the voters of the county or state; to repeal conflicting laws;
5 and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections, is amended by
9 striking in its entirety Code Section 21-2-403, relating to the time for opening and closing
10 the polls, and inserting in its place the following:

11 "21-2-403.

12 At all primaries and elections the polls shall be opened at 7:00 A.M. eastern standard time
13 or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, and shall remain open continuously until
14 7:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, at which
15 time they shall be closed; provided, however, that, in all cities having a population of
16 300,000 or more according to the United States decennial census of 1970 or any future
17 such census, if there is no general or special primary or election for county, state, or federal
18 office or to submit a question to the voters of the state or the county in which such
19 municipality is located being held on the same date, the polls shall remain open
20 continuously until 8:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is
21 applicable, during the cities' general elections, at which time they shall be closed."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.