

House Bill 856

By: Representative Connell of the 115th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Augusta-Richmond County Coliseum Authority, approved
2 April 17, 1973 (Ga. L. 1973, p. 3042), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March
3 16, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4087), so as change the membership of the authority; to provide
4 for the terms, qualifications, and appointment of members of the authority; to provide an
5 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act creating the Augusta-Richmond County Coliseum Authority, approved April 17,
9 1973 (Ga. L. 1973, p. 3042), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 16, 1993
10 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4087), is amended by striking subsection (a) of Section 2 and inserting in
11 its place a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

12 "(a) There is created a body corporate and politic to be known as the Augusta-Richmond
13 County Coliseum Authority, and which shall be deemed to be a political subdivision of the
14 State of Georgia and a public corporation and by that name, style, and title said body may
15 contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and complain
16 and defend in all courts of law and equity. Effective on and after April 1, 2001, the
17 authority shall consist of 14 members to be appointed as follows:

18 (1) Ten members shall be appointed by the Augusta-Richmond County Commission.
19 One member of the authority who is appointed by the commission shall reside in each
20 Augusta-Richmond County Commission district. Each such appointee shall be
21 designated by the commission as a member representing a designated district; and

22 (2) The members of the General Assembly representing all or a portion of Richmond
23 County shall appoint four members. Two members shall be appointed for initial terms
24 of two years and subsequent terms of three years. Two members shall be appointed for
25 initial terms of four years and subsequent terms of three years.

1 Each of the 12 members of the authority in office on April 1, 2001, shall serve for the
2 remainder of the term to which he or she was appointed. As soon as practicable on or
3 after April 1, 2001, the Augusta-Richmond County Commission shall appoint such two
4 additional members provided for in this subsection for initial terms ending on April 1,
5 2004. All members shall serve until their respective successors are appointed and
6 qualified. No member shall be authorized to serve more than two consecutive terms of
7 office."

8 **SECTION 2.**

9 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
10 without such approval.

11 **SECTION 3.**

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