

Senate Bill 147

By: Senators Starr of the 44<sup>th</sup> and Hecht of the 34th

**AS PASSED**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT**

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 32 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to municipal courts in general, so as to provide that sessions of municipal court may  
3 be held outside the municipality under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters;  
4 to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 1 of Chapter 32 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
8 municipal courts in general, is amended by adding a new Code Section 36-32-12 to read as  
9 follows:

10 "36-32-12.

11 Notwithstanding any other contrary provision of law, local or general, sessions of a  
12 municipal court may be held outside the municipality for which the municipal court is  
13 established if such sessions are held within a county in which the municipality is located  
14 or has its legal situs."

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16 **SECTION 2.**

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

19 **SECTION 3.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.