

House Bill 46

By: Representative Skipper of the 116th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for a new charter for the City of Ellaville, approved April 8,
2 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3839), so as to change certain provisions regarding the composition
3 and election of the councilmembers; to change certain qualifications; to change certain
4 provisions regarding the mayor pro tempore; to provide for submission of this Act for
5 approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to repeal conflicting
6 laws; and for other purposes.

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

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act providing for a new charter for the City of Ellaville, approved April 8, 2002 (Ga. L.
10 2002, p. 3839), is amended by striking subsection (b) of Section 2.10 and inserting in its
11 place a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

12 "(b)(1) For purposes of electing members of the city council, the City of Ellaville is
13 divided into four council districts.

14 (2) Except for the district specified in paragraph (3) of this subsection, one member of
15 the city council shall be elected from each such district.

16 (3) Council District 1 shall consist of one election district with two numbered posts. Each
17 person seeking election from such district shall designate the post for which such person
18 seeks election. Such posts shall be designated as Post 1 and Post 2.

19 (4) The four council districts shall be and correspond to those four numbered districts
20 described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as Plan
21 Name: ella3 Plan Type: Local User: Gina Administrator: Ellaville."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 Said Act is further amended by striking subsection (b) of Section 2.11 and inserting in its
24 place a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

1 "(b) Candidates for Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4 must at the time of qualification and during their
2 term of service reside within the respective district which each seeks to represent."

3 **SECTION 3.**

4 Said Act is further amended by striking Section 2.32 and inserting in its place a new Section
5 2.32 to read as follows:

6 "SECTION 2.32.
7 Mayor pro tempore.

8 Beginning in January, 2003, the post of mayor pro tempore shall rotate by council position
9 each year starting with District 1, Post 1. However, as a prerequisite to being mayor pro
10 tempore, the council person must have completed the training required by state law. The
11 mayor pro tempore shall assume the duties and powers of the mayor during the mayor's
12 disability or absence. Any such disability or absence shall be declared by a majority vote of
13 the city council."

14 **SECTION 4.**

15 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the City of Ellaville to submit this Act for approval
16 pursuant to Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

17 **SECTION 5.**

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