

House Bill 704

By: Representatives Lucas of the 105<sup>th</sup>, Birdsong of the 104<sup>th</sup>, Randall of the 107<sup>th</sup>, Ray of the 108<sup>th</sup>, Graves of the 106<sup>th</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act establishing the Board of Public Education for Bibb County, approved  
2 August 23, 1872 (Ga. L. 1872, p. 388), as amended, so as to change the description of the  
3 education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in  
4 office of current members; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance under the  
5 federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other  
6 purposes.

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

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act establishing the Board of Public Education for Bibb County, approved August 23,  
10 1872 (Ga. L. 1872, p. 388), as amended, is amended by striking Section 2E and inserting in  
11 its place a new Section 2E to read as follows:

12 **"SECTION 2E.**

13 (a) For purposes of electing members of the board of public education, other than the  
14 at-large members, the Bibb County School District is divided into six education districts  
15 which shall correspond to Posts 1 through 6. The six education districts shall be and  
16 correspond to those six numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of  
17 this Act and further identified as Plan Name: bibbsbp2re Plan Type: Local User: staff  
18 Administrator: Bibb Co.

19 (b) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean  
20 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of  
21 the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The  
22 separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading  
23 shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report  
24 of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of  
25 Georgia. Any part of the Bibb County School District which is not included in any such

1 district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such  
2 part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census  
3 of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of the Bibb County School District which is  
4 described in that attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be  
5 included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such  
6 noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part  
7 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000  
8 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any education  
9 district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the  
10 geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States  
11 decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.

12 (c) Posts 1 through 6, as they exist immediately prior to the effective date of this Act, shall  
13 continue to be designated as Posts 1 through 6, respectively, but as newly described under  
14 this Act, and on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of the board serving  
15 from those former education districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing  
16 their respective districts as newly described under this Act."

## 17 **SECTION 2.**

18 Said Act is further amended by striking in its entirety the attachment thereto containing the  
19 description of education districts which is identified as Plan Name: bibbsp2 Plan Type:  
20 Local User: Gina Administrator: Bibb.

## 21 **SECTION 3.**

22 The Board of Public Education for Bibb County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act  
23 to be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended;  
24 and such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice or filed with  
25 the appropriate court no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the  
26 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

## 27 **SECTION 4.**

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