

House Bill 623 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Lewis of the 12th, Childers of the 13th, Post 1, Cummings of the 19th, and Smith of the 13th, Post 2

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the Board of Education of Bartow County, approved March
2 30, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4915), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 14, 1997
3 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3891), so as to change the method of filling vacancies on said board; to
4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 To amend an Act providing for the Board of Education of Bartow County, approved March
8 30, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4915), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 14, 1997
9 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3891), is amended by striking Section 5 in its entirety and inserting in lieu
10 thereof a new Section 5 to read as follows:

11 style="text-align:center">"SECTION 5.

12 In case of a vacancy on the board by death, resignation, or any cause other than the
13 expiration of term of office, such vacancy shall be filled as follows:

14 (1) A special election shall be called by the election superintendent of Bartow County
15 within 120 days after the vacancy occurs to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the
16 unexpired term. Such special election shall be called and conducted as provided in
17 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code,' as now or hereafter
18 amended;

19 (2) If the vacancy occurs less than 180 days prior to the date of a scheduled primary or
20 election, then such special election shall be held on the same date as such scheduled
21 primary or election; and

22 (3) A person filling a vacancy on the board shall be required to be a resident of the
23 education district from which his or her predecessor was elected and such successor to
24 fill a vacancy shall be elected from the education district in the same manner as his or her
25 predecessor."

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SECTION 2.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.