

House Bill 1122

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for staggered terms for school council  
3 members; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

6 Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and  
7 secondary education, is amended by striking in its entirety subsection (e) of Code Section  
8 20-2-86, relating to the election and operation of school councils, and inserting in lieu thereof  
9 the following:

10 "(e)(1) Members of the council shall serve for a term of two years, except as provided  
11 in this paragraph. Upon expiration of the terms of the councilmembers in office on July 1,  
12 2004, the subsequent terms of the councilmembers shall be staggered. In order to stagger  
13 the terms, the initial term upon expiration shall be one year for one parent or guardian,  
14 one businessperson, and one certificated teacher and shall be two years for subsequent  
15 terms. The initial and subsequent terms for the second parent or guardian, second  
16 businessperson, and second certificated teacher shall be for two years.

17 (2) The office of school councilmember shall be automatically vacated:

18 (1)(A) If a member shall resign;

19 (2)(B) If the person holding the office is removed as a member by an action of the  
20 council pursuant to this Code section; or

21 (3)(C) If a member no longer meets the qualifications specified in this Code section.

22 An election within the electing body for a replacement to fill the remainder of an  
23 unexpired term shall be held within 30 days, unless there are 90 days or less remaining  
24 in the term in which case the vacancy shall remain unfilled."

1 **SECTION 2.**

2 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2004.

3 **SECTION 3.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.