

House Bill 1350

By: Representative James of the 114<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the board of education for the Macon County School District,  
2 approved March 27, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 4112), as amended, particularly by an Act  
3 approved April 2, 1998 (Ga. L. 1998, p. 4137), so as to revise the districts for the election of  
4 members of the board of education; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for  
5 method of election; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to  
6 Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related  
7 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act providing for the board of education for the Macon County School District, approved  
11 March 27, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 4112), as amended, is amended by striking Section 1 and  
12 inserting in lieu thereof a new Section 1 to read as follows:

13 **"SECTION 1.**

- 14 (a) There shall be a board of education for the Macon County School District.
- 15 (b) For the purpose of electing members of the board of education, the Macon County  
16 School District shall be divided into five education districts which shall be and correspond  
17 to those five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act  
18 and further identified as Plan Name: MACON04-1 Plan Type: Local User: staff  
19 Administrator: Macon Co.
- 20 (c) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean  
21 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of  
22 the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The  
23 separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading  
24 shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report  
25 of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of

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

12 (d) The members of the board of education who were elected at the general election in  
13 November 2002 shall continue in office for the terms to which they were elected and until  
14 successors are elected and qualified as provided in this Act. The members of the board of  
15 education who were elected at the general election in November 2000 shall continue in  
16 office for the terms to which they were elected and until successors are elected and  
17 qualified as provided in this Act.

18 (e) Successors to the members of the board of education of Macon County from Education  
19 Districts 1, 2, and 4 shall be elected at the state-wide general election in 2006. Such  
20 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and  
21 until their successors are elected and qualified.

22 (f) Successors to the members of the board of education of Macon County from Education  
23 Districts 3 and 5 shall be elected at the state-wide general election in 2004. Such members  
24 shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and until their  
25 successors are elected and qualified.

26 (g) Successors to members elected under subsections (e) and (f) of this section shall be  
27 elected at the state-wide general election next preceding the expiration of such terms of  
28 office and shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and  
29 until their successors are elected and qualified.

30 (h) Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 as they existed on January 1, 2004, shall continue  
31 to be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, but as newly  
32 described under this Act, and, on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of  
33 the board serving from those former education districts shall be deemed to be serving from  
34 and representing their respective districts as newly described under this section."

