

House Bill 1719

By: Representative Hudson of the 95<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act entitled "An Act to reconstitute the Board of Education of Glascock  
2 County," approved April 1, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3725), so as to revise the districts for the  
3 election of members of the board of education; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to  
4 provide for method of election; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance  
5 pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for  
6 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act entitled "An Act to reconstitute the Board of Education of Glascock County,"  
10 approved April 1, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3725), is amended by striking subsection (b) of  
11 Section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

12 "(b) For the purpose of electing members of the board of education, the Glascock County  
13 School District shall be divided into five education districts which shall be and correspond  
14 to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act  
15 and further identified as Plan Name: glassb3 Plan Type: Local User: staff Administrator:  
16 Glascock Co. Education District 5 shall include all of the territory in the Glascock County  
17 School District.

18 (c) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean  
19 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of  
20 the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The  
21 separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading  
22 shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report  
23 of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of  
24 Georgia. Any part of Glascock County which is not included in any such district described  
25 in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which  
26 contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for

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

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

15 (e) Successors to the members of the board of education of Glascock County from  
16 Education Districts 1, 2, and 5 shall be elected at the state-wide general election in 2004.  
17 Such members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four  
18 years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

19 (f) Successors to the members of the board of education of Glascock County from  
20 Education Districts 3 and 4 shall be elected at the state-wide general election in 2006. Such  
21 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and  
22 until their successors are elected and qualified.

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

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

## 32 SECTION 2.

33 The Board of Education of Glascock County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act  
34 to be submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965,  
35 as amended, and such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice

1 or filed with the appropriate court no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is  
2 approved by the Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

3 **SECTION 3.**

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