

House Bill 1823 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act consolidating, creating, revising, and superseding the several Acts  
2 incorporating the City of Alpharetta, Georgia, in the County of Fulton and creating a new  
3 charter for said city, approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4609), as amended, particularly  
4 by an Act approved March 15, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4318) and an ordinance adopted  
5 February 22, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 5224), so as to change the provisions relating to the  
6 compensation of the mayor and councilmembers; to provide for a referendum; to provide a  
7 contingent effective date; to provide for automatic repeal in certain circumstances; to repeal  
8 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

11 An Act consolidating, creating, revising, and superseding the several Acts incorporating the  
12 City of Alpharetta, Georgia, in the County of Fulton and creating a new charter for said city,  
13 approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4609), as amended, particularly by an Act approved  
14 March 15, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4318) and an ordinance adopted February 22, 1988 (Ga. L.  
15 1988, p. 5224), is amended by striking in its entirety Section 2.13, relating to the  
16 compensation of the mayor and councilmembers, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Section  
17 2.13 to read as follows:

18 style="text-align:center">"SECTION 2.13.  
19 style="text-align:center">Compensation and expenses.

20 The mayor and councilmembers shall receive compensation for their services in the  
21 following amounts:

- 22 (1) Mayor: \$30,000.00 per annum, payable monthly; and  
23 (2) Council: \$15,000.00 per annum, payable monthly.

1 The mayor and councilmembers shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary  
2 expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 Unless prohibited by the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the election  
5 superintendent of the City of Alpharetta shall call and conduct an election as provided in this  
6 section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of Alpharetta for  
7 approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct that election on the Tuesday  
8 next following the first Monday in November, 2004, in conjunction with the general election  
9 and shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided by general law. The election  
10 superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week  
11 for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of Fulton County.  
12 The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

13 "( ) YES Shall the Act increasing the annual compensation of the mayor of  
14 Alpharetta to \$30,000.00 and the annual compensation of each member of  
15 ( ) NO the council for such city to \$15,000.00 be approved?"

16 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring  
17 to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on  
18 such question are for approval of the Act, it shall become of full force and effect on January  
19 1, 2005. If the Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted as provided in this  
20 section, the remaining sections of this Act shall not become effective and this Act shall be  
21 automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following that election date.  
22 The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of Alpharetta. It shall be the election  
23 superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

24 **SECTION 3.**

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