

Senate Bill 132

By: Senator Williams of the 19th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the Board of Education of Wayne County, approved January
2 28, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 3512), as amended, so as to provide for the nonpartisan election
3 of members of that board; to provide for submission of this Act under the federal Voting
4 Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and
5 for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act providing for the Board of Education of Wayne County, approved January 28, 1994
9 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 3512), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (f) of Section 1 and
10 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

11 "(f) All elections for members of the Board of Education of Wayne County conducted after
12 January 1, 2006, shall be nonpartisan elections as provided for in Code Section 21-2-139
13 of the O.C.G.A. Such nonpartisan elections shall be held in conjunction with the
14 November general election immediately preceding expiration of the term of office and
15 conducted as provided in Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election
16 Code.' Those members of the board of education in office on January 1, 2006, shall serve
17 out the terms of office for which they were elected and shall be eligible to succeed
18 themselves as provided in this subsection."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 The Board of Education of Wayne County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to
21 be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; and
22 such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice or filed with the
23 appropriate court no later than 90 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the
24 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

1 **SECTION 3.**

2 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
3 without such approval.

4 **SECTION 4.**

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.