

Senate Bill 295

By: Senator Williams of the 19th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County, approved
2 March 25, 1958 (Ga. L. 1958, p. 3288), as amended, so as to change the description of the
3 commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation
4 in office of current members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent
5 members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights
6 Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
7 other purposes.

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

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County, approved March 25,
11 1958 (Ga. L. 1958, p. 3288), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (a) of Section
12 1A of said Act and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

13 "(a)(1) The Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County as it exists immediately prior
14 to January 1, 2006, is continued in existence but on and after January 1, 2006, shall be
15 constituted as provided in this Act. The Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County
16 so continued and constituted, sometimes referred to in this Act as the 'board,' shall
17 continue to have the powers, duties, rights, obligations, and liabilities of that board as
18 existed immediately prior to January 1, 2006, and shall be subject to all constitutional and
19 statutory provisions relating to boards of county commissioners.

20 (2) Those members of the Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County who are
21 serving as such immediately prior to January 1, 2006, and any person selected to fill a
22 vacancy in any such office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular
23 expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of
24 their respective successors. On and after January 1, 2006, the Board of Commissioners
25 of Jeff Davis County shall consist of five members all of whom shall be elected from
26 commissioner districts described in paragraph (3) of this subsection. Commissioner

1 Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 as they exist immediately prior to January 1, 2006, shall
2 continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, but
3 as newly described under this Act, and on and after January 1, 2006, such members of the
4 board serving from those former commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving
5 from and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act.

6 (3) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Jeff Davis County
7 is divided into five commissioner districts. One member of the board shall be elected
8 from each such district by majority vote of the qualified voters residing within such
9 commissioner district. The five commissioner districts shall be and correspond to those
10 five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and
11 further identified as Plan Name: jeffdccsbw3 Plan Type: Local User: staff
12 Administrator: Jeff Davis.

13 (4) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean
14 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau
15 of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia.
16 The separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG'
17 heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in
18 the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for
19 the State of Georgia. Any part of Jeff Davis County which is not included in any such
20 district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to
21 such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial
22 census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Jeff Davis County which is
23 described in that attachment as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be
24 included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such
25 noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part
26 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of
27 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any
28 commissioner district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city,
29 it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the
30 United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia."

31 SECTION 2.

32 Said Act is further amended by striking Section 2A, relating to commissioner districts, in its
33 entirety.

1 **SECTION 3.**

2 The governing authority of Jeff Davis County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act
3 to be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended;
4 and such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice or filed with
5 the appropriate court no later than 60 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the
6 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

7 **SECTION 4.**

8 This section and Section 3 of this Act and those provisions of this Act necessary for the
9 election of members of the Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County in 2006 shall
10 become effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law
11 without such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January
12 1, 2006.

13 **SECTION 5.**

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

1 Plan Name: jeffdccsbw3 Plan Type: Local User: staff Administrator: Jeff Davis

2 Redistricting Plan Components Report

3 District 001

4 Jeff Davis County

5 Tract: 9601

6 BG: 3

7 3017 3018 3019 3020 3021 3022 3023 3024 3025 3026 3027 3028

8 3029 3030 3031 3032 3033 3034 3042 3043 3044 3045 3047 3048

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10 BG: 4

11 4003 4004 4005 4006 4014 4015 4016 4017 4018 4019 4020 4021

12 4022 4023

13 BG: 5

14 5003

15 Tract: 9602

16 BG: 1

17 1000 1001 1002 1003 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011 1012

18 1013 1014 1015 1016 1017 1018 1019 1020 1021 1022 1023 1024

19 1025 1026 1027 1028 1029 1030 1031 1032 1033 1034 1035 1036

20 1037 1038 1039 1040 1041 1042 1043 1044 1045 1999

21 BG: 2

22 BG: 3

23 3016 3017 3018 3019 3020 3021 3022 3023 3024

24 BG: 4

25 4000 4001 4002 4018 4019 4020 4021 4022

26 District 002

27 Jeff Davis County

28 Tract: 9601

29 BG: 1

30 BG: 2

31 BG: 3

32 3000 3001 3002 3003 3004 3005 3006 3007 3008 3009 3010 3011

33 3012 3013 3014 3015 3016 3035 3036 3037 3038 3039 3040 3041

34 3046 3054 3055

1 District 003
 2 Jeff Davis County
 3 Tract: 9601
 4 BG: 4
 5 4000 4001 4002 4007 4008 4009 4010 4011 4012 4013 4024 4025
 6 4026 4027 4028 4029 4030 4031 4032 4033 4034 4035 4036 4037
 7 4038 4039 4040 4041 4042 4043 4044 4045 4046 4047
 8 BG: 5
 9 5000 5001 5002 5010 5011 5012 5019 5020 5044 5045 5046 5047
 10 5048 5049 5050 5051 5052 5999
 11 BG: 6
 12 Tract: 9603
 13 BG: 2
 14 2000 2028 2029 2030 2031 2034 2035 2036 2037 2038 2039 2040
 15 2041 2042 2043 2044 2045 2104 2105 2999

 16 District 004
 17 Jeff Davis County
 18 Tract: 9601
 19 BG: 5
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 30 Tract: 9603
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8 District 005

9 Jeff Davis County

10 Tract: 9602

11 BG: 1

12 1004 1046 1047 1048 1049 1050 1998

13 BG: 3

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15 3012 3013 3014 3015

16 BG: 4

17 4003 4004 4005 4006 4007 4008 4009 4010 4011 4012 4013 4014

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25 Tract: 9603

26 BG: 1

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