

House Bill 697 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Lunsford of the 110<sup>th</sup>, Watson of the 91<sup>st</sup>, Mosby of the 90<sup>th</sup>, Barnes of the 78<sup>th</sup>, Yates of the 73<sup>rd</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991  
2 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to revise certain provisions relating to membership  
3 of elected officials on boards, commissions, and authorities; to repeal conflicting laws; and  
4 for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 An Act creating the charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991,  
8 p. 4359), as amended, is amended by striking subsection (a) of Section 3.11 and inserting  
9 in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

10 "(a) The city council shall hold an organizational meeting at the first regular meeting in  
11 January following an election. The meeting shall be called to order by the city clerk and  
12 the oath of the office shall be administered to the newly elected members as follows:

13 I do solemnly swear/affirm that I will faithfully perform the duties of  
14 (mayor/councilmember) of the City of Stockbridge and that I will, to the best of my  
15 ability, support and defend the charter thereof as well as the Constitution and laws of the  
16 State of Georgia and of the United States of America. I further affirm that upon  
17 assumption of this office I do not hold any unaccounted for public money due and  
18 payable to the state, any political subdivision of this state, the City of Stockbridge, or any  
19 authority thereof, nor do I hold any other office of trust of the government of the United  
20 States, of this state, or of any foreign state as proscribed by the laws of the State of  
21 Georgia. I solemnly affirm that I am fully qualified under the Constitution and the laws  
22 of this state to hold the office of (mayor/councilmember), and that I have been a resident  
23 of the City of Stockbridge for the entire period of time required by the Constitution and  
24 laws of the State of Georgia. I will perform the duties of my office in the best interest of  
25 the City of Stockbridge to the best of my ability without fear, favor, affection, reward, or  
26 expectation thereof."

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**SECTION 2.**

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