

Senate Bill 630

By: Senator Pearson of the 51st

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT**

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the Town of Talking Rock, approved April 21,  
2 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 4222), so as to change provisions relating to the time of municipal  
3 elections and the terms of the mayor and council; to exercise authority granted under general  
4 law so as to make the charter provisions on this subject consistent with general law; to  
5 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act providing a new charter for the Town of Talking Rock, approved April 21, 1997 (Ga.  
9 L. 1997, p. 4222), is amended by striking Section 5.11 and inserting in its place a new section  
10 to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 5.11.

12 Regular elections; time for holding.

13 (a) On the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November in 2009 and  
14 quadrennially thereafter, there shall be an election for the mayor and councilmembers.  
15 Persons elected to such offices shall take office and begin their terms of office on the first  
16 day of January immediately following their election.

17 (b) It is the purpose of this Code Section to conform the charter of the Town of Talking  
18 Rock to the requirements of general state law as provided in Code Sections 21-2-9 and  
19 21-2-541.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. For this purpose, the terms of the  
20 mayor and councilmembers elected in 2004 shall extend until the taking of office by their  
21 successors under subsection (a) of this section, as authorized by Code Section 21-2-541.2  
22 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated."

1 **SECTION 2.**

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.