

House Bill 763

By: Representative Morris of the 155th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Soperton, approved March 14, 1984
2 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4212), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 15, 2004 (Ga.
3 L. 2004, p. 3863), so as to annex certain tracts or parcels of land into the City of Soperton
4 and to change the description of the council districts; to provide for definitions and
5 inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for
6 submission of this Act for approval under the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to
7 provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act providing a new charter for the City of Soperton, approved March 14, 1984 (Ga. L.
11 1984, p. 4212), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 15, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004,
12 p. 3863), is amended by adding at the end of Section 1.11 the following:

13 "In addition, the following tracts or parcels of land shall be and are included as being a part
14 of the City of Soperton:

15 All that tract or parcel of land lying, being and situate in the 1386th G. M. District of
16 Treutlen County, Georgia, being described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of
17 the city limits of the City of Soperton with the southwestern margin of State Route 29 as
18 said State Route 29 runs in a northwesterly direction from the City of Soperton; thence
19 run along said margin of State Route 29 in a northwesterly direction approximately 0.9
20 miles to the intersection of said margin of State Route 29 with the northwestern margin
21 of County Road No. 94, also known as Knox Mill Road; thence run along said margin of
22 Knox Mill Road in a northeasterly direction to the intersection of said margin of said
23 county road with the southwestern margin of County Road 157; thence along said margin
24 of said County Road 157 north 66 degrees, 49 minutes, 33 seconds west a distance of
25 108.50 feet; thence south 23 degrees 10 minutes 27 seconds west a distance of 85 feet to
26 a point; thence north 66 degrees 49 minutes 33 seconds west a distance of 30 feet to a

1 point; thence north 23 degrees 10 minutes 27 seconds east a distance of 85 feet to the
2 southwestern margin of said County Road #157; thence along said margin of said county
3 Road north 66 degrees 49 minutes 33 seconds west a distance of 402.0 feet to a point;
4 thence turning south 30 degrees 03 minutes 55 seconds west a distance of 375.70 feet to
5 a point located on the northeastern margin of the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad
6 Right-of-Way; thence turning and running along said right-of-way of said railroad north
7 58 degrees 22 minutes 56 seconds a distance of 1,369.56 feet to a point; thence
8 continuing along said railroad right-of-way north 58 degrees 23 minutes 56 seconds west
9 a distance of 1,026.10 feet to a point; thence turning and running north 30 degrees 19
10 minutes 04 seconds east a distance of 401.68 feet to a point; thence continuing north 30
11 degrees 19 minutes 04 seconds east a distance of 80 feet across the right-of-way of
12 county maintained paved road no. 152; thence continuing north 40 degrees 58 minutes
13 44 seconds east a distance of 97.50 feet to a point; thence continuing north 40 degrees 58
14 minutes 44 seconds east a distance of 1,719.99 feet to an iron pin; thence turning and
15 running south 75 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds east a distance of 588.98 feet to a point;
16 thence south 76 degrees 14 minutes 58 seconds east a distance of 1,590.50 feet to an iron
17 pin situated on the western margin of County Road 95; thence along said margin of
18 County Road 95 south 10 degrees 25 minutes 23 seconds west a distance of 54.82 feet
19 to a point; thence south 4 degrees 05 minutes 43 seconds west a distance of 199.34 feet
20 to a 1.5 inch pipe; thence south 12 degrees 12 minutes 56 seconds west a distance of
21 389.57 feet to an iron rebar; thence south 29 degrees 41 minutes 57 seconds east a
22 distance of 580.87 feet to a concrete marker set on the northern margin of County Road
23 94; thence running along the arc of the curve formed by said margin of said county road,
24 the cord line distance and direction being south 56 degrees 30 minutes 21 seconds west
25 a distance of 465.05 feet to a point; thence south 38 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds west
26 a distance of 131.99 feet to an iron pin; thence continuing along said margin of said
27 County Road 94 south 33 degrees 48 minutes 39 seconds west a distance of 211.43 feet
28 to a point; thence running south 29 degrees 44 minutes 42 seconds west a distance of
29 289.42 feet to an iron pin; thence crossing said County Road 94 and running south 68
30 degrees 52 minutes 35 seconds east a distance of 80 feet to a point; thence south 59
31 degrees 17 minutes 41 seconds east a distance of 377.26 feet to a point; to a point; thence
32 continuing on south 30 degrees 47 minutes 57 seconds west a distance of 407.94 feet to
33 a point; thence continuing south 30 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds west a distance of
34 577.27 feet to a point on the eastern margin of the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad
35 Right-of-Way; thence following the arc of the curve formed said railroad right-of-way,
36 the cord line distance and direction being north 51 degrees 39 minutes 37 seconds west
37 a distance of 367.27 feet to an iron pin situated on the southeastern margin of County

1 Road 94, also known as Knox Mill Road; thence turning and running along said margin
2 of County Road 94 in a southwesterly margin to the intersection of said margin of said
3 county road with the northeastern margin of State Route 29; thence running in a
4 southeasterly direction along said margin of State Route 29 to a point formed by the
5 intersection of the northeastern margin of State Route 29 with the City Limits of the City
6 of Soperton; thence proceeding along the City Limits of the City of Soperton in a
7 southwesterly direction across State Route 29 to the intersection of the City Limits with
8 southwestern margin of State Route 29 and the point of beginning. Included in this
9 property is all of Tracts 'A', 'C-1', 'C-2', 'C-3', 'C-4' and 'D' as well as the 'well site' as
10 described in that certain Plat of Survey prepared by Charles M. Zeigler, Georgia
11 Registered land Surveyor, dated May 12, 1978, revised August 7, 1978 and filed for
12 record April 22, 1987 in Plat Book 6, page 184 in the office of the Clerk of Superior
13 Court of Treutlen County, Georgia. Said property also includes all of that certain tract
14 of land described at 'Tract T-1' containing 95.322 acres, more or less, in that certain plat
15 of survey prepared by Billy Flanders, Georgia Registered land Surveyor, dated February
16 6, 2007 and filed for record in Plat Book 8, page 79 in the office of the Clerk of Superior
17 Court of Treutlen County, Georgia. Said Plats are hereby incorporated into this
18 description by reference thereto."

19 SECTION 2.

20 Said Act is further amended by adding at the end of the description of District 2 in subsection
21 (a) of Section 5.12 the following:

22 "In addition, the following tracts or parcels of land shall be and are included as being a part
23 of this district:

24 Beginning at the intersection of the city limits of the City of Soperton with the
25 southwestern margin of State Route 29 as said State Route 29 runs in a northwesterly
26 direction from the City of Soperton; thence run along said margin of State Route 29 in
27 a northwesterly direction approximately 0.9 miles to the intersection of said margin of
28 State Route 29 with the northwestern margin of County Road No. 94, also known as
29 Knox Mill Road; thence run along said margin of Knox Mill Road in a northeasterly
30 direction to the intersection of said margin of said county road with the southwestern
31 margin of County Road 157; thence along said margin of said County Road 157 north 66
32 degrees, 49 minutes, 33 seconds west a distance of 108.50 feet; thence south 23 degrees
33 10 minutes 27 seconds west a distance of 85 feet to a point; thence north 66 degrees 49
34 minutes 33 seconds west a distance of 30 feet to a point; thence north 23 degrees 10
35 minutes 27 seconds east a distance of 85 feet to the southwestern margin of said County
36 Road #157; thence along said margin of said county Road north 66 degrees 49 minutes

1 33 seconds west a distance of 402.0 feet to a point; thence turning south 30 degrees 03
2 minutes 55 seconds west a distance of 375.70 feet to a point located on the northeastern
3 margin of the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Right-of-Way; thence turning and running
4 along said right-of-way of said railroad north 58 degrees 22 minutes 56 seconds a
5 distance of 1,369.56 feet to a point; thence continuing along said railroad right-of-way
6 north 58 degrees 23 minutes 56 seconds west a distance of 1,026.10 feet to a point; thence
7 turning and running north 30 degrees 19 minutes 04 seconds east a distance of 401.68 feet
8 to a point; thence continuing north 30 degrees 19 minutes 04 seconds east a distance of
9 80 feet across the right-of-way of county maintained paved road no. 152; thence
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11 point; thence continuing north 40 degrees 58 minutes 44 seconds east a distance of
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21 the curve formed by said margin of said county road, the cord line distance and direction
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32 margin of the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Right-of-Way; thence following the arc of
33 the curve formed said railroad right-of-way, the cord line distance and direction being
34 north 51 degrees 39 minutes 37 seconds west a distance of 367.27 feet to an iron pin
35 situated on the southeastern margin of County Road 94, also known as Knox Mill Road;
36 thence turning and running along said margin of County Road 94 in a southwesterly
37 margin to the intersection of said margin of said county road with the northeastern margin

1 of State Route 29; thence running in a southeasterly direction along said margin of State
2 Route 29 to a point formed by the intersection of the northeastern margin of State Route
3 29 with the City Limits of the City of Soperton; thence proceeding along the City Limits
4 of the City of Soperton in a southwesterly direction across State Route 29 to the
5 intersection of the City Limits with southwestern margin of State Route 29 and the point
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14 Clerk of Superior Court of Treutlen County, Georgia. Said Plats are hereby incorporated
15 into this description by reference thereto."

16 **SECTION 3.**

17 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the governing authority of the City of Soperton to
18 submit this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965,
19 as amended.

20 **SECTION 4.**

21 This Act shall become effective January 1, 2008.

22 **SECTION 5.**

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