

House Bill 1007

By: Representatives Heard of the 104th and Coan of the 101st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To authorize the City of Lawrenceville to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under
2 Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution, as amended, and Chapter 44 of
3 Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a
4 referendum; to provide effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain
5 circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 The City of Lawrenceville shall be and is authorized to exercise all redevelopment and other
9 powers under Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as
10 amended. The intention of this Act is to authorize the City of Lawrenceville to undertake
11 and carry out community redevelopment, to create tax allocation districts, to issue tax
12 allocation bonds, and to incur other obligations within the meaning of and as fully permitted
13 under the provisions of Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution of the
14 State of Georgia of 1983, as amended, and to authorize the City of Lawrenceville to exercise
15 redevelopment powers as fully as the "Redevelopment Powers Law" may now or hereafter
16 permit and not to limit any redevelopment powers permitted under the "Redevelopment
17 Powers Law."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Unless prohibited by the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the municipal
20 election superintendent of the City of Lawrenceville shall call and conduct an election as
21 provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of
22 Lawrenceville for approval or rejection. The municipal election superintendent shall conduct
23 that election on any permissible referendum date not later than the November, 2008,
24 state-wide general election and shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided by
25 general law. The municipal election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the

1 election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof
2 in the official organ of Gwinnett County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the
3 words:

4 " YES Shall the Act be approved which authorizes the City of Lawrenceville to
5 exercise redevelopment powers under the 'Redevelopment Powers Law,' as
6 NO it may be amended from time to time, for the purpose of improving
7 economic and social conditions in depressed areas within the city?"

8 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring
9 to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on
10 such question are for approval of the Act, then Section 1 of this Act shall become of full
11 force and effect immediately. If Section 1 of this Act is not so approved or if the election is
12 not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective
13 and this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately
14 following that election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of
15 Lawrenceville. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to
16 the Secretary of State.

17 **SECTION 3.**

18 Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon
19 its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

20 **SECTION 4.**

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