

House Bill 1164

By: Representative Hudson of the 124th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Warren County, approved
2 February 4, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 3651), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
3 April 2, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3702), and by an Act approved May 30, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003,
4 p. 3806), so as to revise the districts for the election of members of the board; to provide for
5 the manner of election; to provide for submission for preclearance under Section 5 of the
6 federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to repeal
7 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Warren County, approved February 4, 1993
11 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 3651), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 2, 2002
12 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3702), and by an Act approved May 30, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 3806), is
13 amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 2 as follows:

14 "(b) For the purpose of electing members of the board of education, the Warren County
15 School District is divided into five education districts. One member of the board shall be
16 elected from each such district. The districts shall be and correspond to those five
17 numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further
18 identified as Plan Name: warrsbp3 Plan Type: Local User: Gina Administrator: Warren
19 Co."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 Such Act is further amended by revising Section 4 as follows:

22 "SECTION 4.

23 (a) The members of the board of education who were elected at the general election in
24 November, 2004, shall continue in office for the terms to which they were elected and until

1 successors are elected and qualified as provided in this Act. The members of the board of
2 education who were elected at the general election in November, 2006, shall continue in
3 office for the terms to which they were elected and until successors are elected and
4 qualified as provided in this Act.

5 (b) The members of the Board of Education of Warren County from Education Districts 1
6 and 4 shall be elected at the state-wide nonpartisan general election in 2010. Such
7 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and
8 until their successors are elected and qualified.

9 (c) The members of the Board of Education of Warren County from Education Districts
10 2, 3, and 5 shall be elected at the state-wide nonpartisan general election in 2008. Such
11 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and
12 until their successors are elected and qualified.

13 (d) Successors to members elected under subsections (b) and (c) of this section shall be
14 elected at the state-wide nonpartisan general election next preceding the expiration of such
15 terms of office and shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four
16 years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

17 (e) Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 as they existed on January 1, 2008, shall continue
18 to be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, but as newly
19 described under this Act, and, on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of
20 the board serving from those former education districts shall be deemed to be serving from
21 and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act.

22 (f) All members of the board who are elected thereto shall be elected in nonpartisan
23 elections pursuant to Code Section 21-2-139 of the O.C.G.A. which shall be held in
24 accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code.'"

25 **SECTION 3.**

26 The Board of Education of Warren County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to
27 be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; and
28 such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice or filed with the
29 appropriate court no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the
30 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

31 **SECTION 4.**

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