House Bill 1419

By: Representatives Bridges of the 10th, Collins of the 27th, and Jenkins of the 8th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To provide for the compensation of the chairperson and members of the Board of

2 Commissioners of White County; to provide for a referendum; to provide for an effective

3 date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4   BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5   **SECTION 1.**

6 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, members of the Board of

7 Commissioners of White County, other than the chairperson, shall be paid a salary equal to

8 20 percent of the minimum salary established by general law for the sheriff of White

9 County. Such compensation shall be paid in equal monthly installments from the funds of

10 White County.

11 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the chairperson of the Board

12 of Commissioners of White County shall be paid a salary equal to 25 percent of the minimum

13 salary established by general law for the sheriff of White County. Such compensation shall

14 be paid in equal monthly installments from the funds of White County.

15   **SECTION 2.**

16 Unless otherwise prohibited by the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the

17 election superintendent of White County shall call and conduct a special election for the

18 purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of White County for approval or rejection. The

19 election superintendent shall conduct that election at the time of the state-wide general

20 election on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 2008.   The election

21 superintendent shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided by general law. The

22 superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week

23 for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of White County.

24 The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

1   "( ) YES   Shall the Act be approved which provides that beginning January 1, 2011,

2   ( ) NO   the county commissioners shall be paid a salary equal to 20 percent of the

3   minimum salary established for the sheriff of White County and the

4   chairperson of the county commission shall be paid a salary equal to 25

5   percent of the minimum salary established for the sheriff?"

6   All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring

7   to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on

8   such question are for the approval of the Act, Section 1 of this Act shall become effective

9   January 1, 2011. If the Act is not approved or if the election is not conducted as provided

10   in this section, this Act shall not become effective and this Act shall be automatically

11   repealed on the first day immediately following that election date. The expense of such

12   election shall be borne by White County. It shall be the duty of the election superintendent

13   of White County to certify the results thereof to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3.

15   Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon

16   its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 4.

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