

House Resolution 1589

By: Representatives Lindsey of the 54th and Ashe of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to limit the
 2 functions performed by any county with more than 80 percent of its land area located in one
 3 or more municipal corporations to those functions required by law or authorized by
 4 intergovernmental contract; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or
 5 rejection; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

8 Article IX, Section III of the Constitution is amended by adding a new Paragraph to read as
 9 follows:

10 "Paragraph III. *Limitation of functions of municipalized counties.* Any county which is
 11 not a consolidated government and which has more than 80 percent of its land area located
 12 within one or more municipal corporations shall exercise only those functions which are:
 13 (1) required to be performed by counties under general state law; or (2) authorized to be
 14 performed pursuant to an intergovernmental contract between the county and one or more
 15 municipal corporations located wholly or partially within that county. The provisions of
 16 this Paragraph shall, with respect to any county to which this Paragraph applies, control
 17 over the provisions of Article IX, Section II, Paragraphs I and III, relating respectively to
 18 home rule for counties and supplementary powers of local governments."

19 SECTION 2.

20 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
 21 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
 22 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

23 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to limit the functions
 24 performed by any county with more than 80 percent of its land area located
 25 () NO in one or more municipal corporations to those functions required by law or
 26 authorized by intergovernmental contract?"

27 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
28 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
29 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
30 become a part of the Constitution of this state.