

House Bill 393

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Senoia, approved April 19, 2000  
2 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 3806), so as to increase the municipal terms of office; to provide that  
3 elections for certain municipal offices shall take place in odd-numbered years; to provide for  
4 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act providing a new charter for the City of Senoia, approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L.  
8 2000, p. 3806), is amended by revising Section 2.11 as follows:

9 "SECTION 2.11

10 The members of the city council shall serve for terms of four years and until their respective  
11 successors are elected and qualified. No person shall be eligible to serve as mayor or  
12 councilmember unless that person shall have been a resident of the city for 12 months prior  
13 to the date of the election of the mayor or members of the council; each shall continue to  
14 reside therein during that person's period of service and to be registered to vote in municipal  
15 elections of this city."

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 Said Act is further amended in Section 2.27 as follows:

18 "SECTION 2.27

19 The mayor shall be elected and shall serve for a term of four years and until a successor is  
20 elected and qualified. The mayor shall be a qualified elector of the city and shall have been  
21 a resident of the city for 12 months prior to the election. The mayor shall continue to reside  
22 in this city during the period of service as mayor. The mayor shall forfeit the office on the

23 same grounds and under the same procedure as the councilmembers. The compensation of  
24 the mayor shall be established in the same manner as for councilmembers."

25 **SECTION 3.**

26 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 5.11 as follows:

27 "SECTION 5.11

28 The two members of the city council serving upon the effective date of this Act who were  
29 elected in an election conducted on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in  
30 November of 2008 shall continue to serve as members until their successors are elected and  
31 duly sworn in thereafter in an election conducted on the Tuesday next following the first  
32 Monday in November of 2011. Such persons elected as members in 2011 and their  
33 successors thereafter shall serve for terms of four years. Two members of the city council  
34 and the mayor shall be elected in an election conducted in an election conducted on the  
35 Tuesday next following the first Monday in November of 2009 and shall serve for a term of  
36 four years. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section relating to certain initial terms of  
37 office, the terms of office for the city council and mayor shall be four years. The terms of  
38 office shall begin upon the members taking the oath of office pursuant to Section 2.18 of this  
39 Act."

40 **SECTION 4.**

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