

House Bill 502

By: Representative McKillip of the 115th, Smith of the 113th, and Heard of the 114th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act establishing the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia,
2 approved March 2, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 3560), as amended, so as to provide a method for
3 selecting the judge and personnel of the municipal court; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
4 other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act establishing the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia, approved
8 March 2, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 3560), as amended, is amended by revising Section 5-106 as
9 follows:

10 *"Section 5-106.*
11 *Municipal Court of the City of Athens;*
12 *Continuation of Operations in*
13 *the Court of the Unified Government.*

14 On the effective date of this charter the operations and employees of the Municipal Court
15 of the City of Athens shall continue as the operations and employees of a court of the
16 Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County. The Judge of the Municipal Court of the
17 City of Athens shall be authorized to serve as the Judge of said court. The Unified
18 Government of Athens-Clarke County shall have the authority by ordinance to establish
19 and define the method of selecting the Judge and other personnel necessary to operate the
20 court, their terms of office and compensation, a schedule of fees to defray the cost of
21 operation, and the jurisdiction and powers of said court insofar as permitted by general law
22 and any other applicable law."

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SECTION 2.

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.