

House Bill 687

By: Representatives Davis of the 109th, Yates of the 73rd, Mayo of the 91st, Lunsford of the 110th, Baker of the 78th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the Henry County Board of Elections and Registration,
2 approved May 3, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4062), so as to provide for terms for the membership
3 of such board; to provide for the location of such board; to provide for related matters; to
4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act providing for the Henry County Board of Elections and Registration, approved May
8 3, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4062), is amended by revising Section 6 as follows:

9 "SECTION 6.

10 (a) Each member of the board shall:

11 (1) Serve for a term of four years except as provided in subsection (b) of this section and
12 until his or her successor is appointed or elected and qualified, except in the event of
13 resignation or removal as provided in Section 7 of this Act;

14 (2) Be eligible to succeed himself or herself and have the right to resign at any time by
15 giving written notice of his or her resignation to the appropriate appointing or electing
16 authority and to the clerk of the superior court; and

17 (3) Be subject to removal from the board at any time for cause, after notice and hearing,
18 in the same manner and by the same authority as is provided for the removal of registrars.

19 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, in making the initial appointments
20 under this Act to the board, the four members appointed by the political parties shall be
21 selected by political parties not later than June 1, 2009. Each political party shall designate
22 one of its appointees to serve a term beginning on July 1, 2009, and ending on June 30,
23 2013, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. Successors to such
24 members shall thereafter be appointed to serve terms pursuant to subsection (a) of this
25 section and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. The other appointees

26 of each political party shall serve terms beginning on July 1, 2009, and ending on June 30,
27 2011, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. Successors to such
28 members shall thereafter be appointed to serve terms of office pursuant to subsection (a)
29 of this section, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified."

30 **SECTION 2.**

31 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 14 as follows:

32 "SECTION 14.

33 The board shall fix and establish by appropriate resolution entered on its minutes directives
34 governing the execution of matters within its jurisdiction. The board shall hold regular
35 monthly meetings to be held at such buildings designated by the board to conduct such
36 meetings. Any specially called meetings, held pursuant to the bylaws adopted by the board,
37 shall be held only after written notification of the time and place of such meeting has been
38 communicated in writing to the person designated by the county governing authority to
39 provide public information. All meetings of whatever kind of the board shall be open to the
40 public."

41 **SECTION 3.**

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