

The House Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local Legislation offers the following substitute to SB 280:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act known as the "Macon-Bibb County Water and Sewerage Authority Act,"
2 approved March 2, 1966 (Ga. L. 1966, p. 2737), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
3 March 23, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 4991), so as to provide for terms for such members; to
4 provide for federal preclearance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
5 and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act known as the "Macon-Bibb County Water and Sewerage Authority Act," approved
9 March 2, 1966 (Ga. L. 1966, p. 2737), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March
10 23, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 4991), is amended by revising subsection (c) of Section 2 as
11 follows:

12 "(c)(1) In the 2012 general election, candidates shall be elected from Districts 2 and 3
13 and serve for terms of four years thereafter. In the 2014 general election candidates shall
14 be elected from Districts 1, 4, and 5. Candidates elected from such districts shall take
15 office on the first day of January following their election and serve for a term of office
16 of four years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Thereafter,
17 successors to the elected members of the authority shall be elected in the general election
18 conducted immediately prior to the expiration of the term of office for which they offer
19 as candidates, shall take office on the first day of January following their election, and
20 shall serve for terms of office of four years and until the election and qualification of their
21 successors. Members of the authority from the City of Macon and Bibb County shall be
22 appointed by the respective appointing body or official, and such members shall serve on
23 the authority at the pleasure of each appointing body or official and only so long as they
24 are members of the respective appointing body.

25 (2) The members of the authority in office on the effective date of this Act shall continue
26 in office until the expiration of the terms for which they are serving on the effective date
27 of this Act."

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SECTION 2.

29 The Macon-Bibb County Water and Sewage Authority shall through its legal counsel cause
30 this Act to be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
31 amended; and such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice or
32 filed with the appropriate court no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is
33 approved by the Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

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SECTION 3.

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