

Senate Resolution 964

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to prohibit a county from levying ad
2 valorem taxes or assessments within a municipality as special services districts or within a
3 municipality for services provided by the municipality; to provide for the submission of this
4 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Article IX, Section IV of the Constitution is amended by adding a new paragraph to read as
8 follows:

9 "Paragraph V. *County and special district limitations.* Any other provisions of this
10 Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding, no county shall levy ad valorem taxes or
11 assessments within a municipality for services that are provided by the municipality
12 directly or by contract, nor shall any county include property located within a municipality
13 in a special services district for a service that is provided by the municipality directly or by
14 contract. This Paragraph shall not apply to county-wide debt within the meaning of
15 Article IX, Section V, Paragraph I of this Constitution issued prior to January 1, 2011."

16 SECTION 2.

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

20 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to prevent double
taxation by prohibiting a county from levying ad valorem taxes or
21 () NO assessments within a municipality to pay for services that are provided by
22 the municipality?"

23 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

24 All persons desiring to vote against the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such

25 amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
26 become a part of the Constitution of this state.