

House Bill 733

By: Representatives Hightower of the 68th and Lindsey of the 54th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 family violence, so as to add holdover provisions for appointees; to provide for related
3 matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

6 Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to family violence,
7 is amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 19-13-32, relating to membership,
8 terms, and filling of vacancies, as follows:

9 "(c) Members serving on July 1, 1996, or persons appointed to complete the unexpired
10 terms of members serving on July 1, 1996, shall complete the terms for which they were
11 appointed. The term of appointment shall be three years for initial successors to members
12 appointed in accordance with the following provisions of subsection (a) of this Code
13 section: paragraph (2) and divisions (ii), (iv), (vi), (viii), (x), and (xii) of subparagraph (E)
14 of paragraph (4). The term of appointment shall be three years for the initial members
15 appointed in accordance with subparagraphs (a)(4)(C) and (a)(4)(D) of this Code section.
16 Initial successors to judicial members appointed to represent even-numbered judicial
17 administrative districts shall be appointed for terms of three years. Two of the initial
18 successors for members appointed in accordance with subparagraph (a)(4)(B) this Code
19 section shall be appointed for terms of three years. The term of appointment shall be two
20 years for initial successors to all other members except those serving ex officio. The letter
21 of appointment shall set out the term for which each member is appointed. Thereafter, each
22 member shall be appointed for a term of two years, and no member may serve more than
23 two consecutive terms. Each member shall serve until the date his or her successor is
24 appointed. All vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term by an appointee of the
25 original appointing official."

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
28 without such approval.

29 **SECTION 3.**

30 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.