

House Bill 771

By: Representatives Smith of the 129<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 131<sup>st</sup>, and Buckner of the 130<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act relating to the Board of Commissioners of Harris County, approved  
2 March 17, 1869 (Ga. L. 1869, p. 170), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 11,  
3 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3888), so as to change the description of the commissioner districts;  
4 to provide definitions and inclusions; to provide for the continuation in office of current  
5 members; to provide for submission of this Act under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights  
6 Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for  
7 other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act relating to the Board of Commissioners of Harris County, approved March 17, 1869  
11 (Ga. L. 1869, p. 170), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 11, 2002  
12 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3888), is amended by revising Section 1 as follows:

13 "SECTION 1.

14 (a) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Harris County is  
15 divided into five commissioner districts. The five commissioner districts shall be and  
16 correspond to those five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part  
17 of this Act and further identified as: 'Plan: harrisc-2012 Plan Type: local  
18 Administrator: harris cc User: bak'.

19 (b)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

20 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as  
21 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial  
22 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district  
23 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual  
24 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the  
25 United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia; and

26 (B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the  
27 description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical  
28 boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial  
29 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

30 (2) Any part of Harris County which is not included in any district described in  
31 subsection (a) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part  
32 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of  
33 2010 for the State of Georgia.

34 (3) Any part of Harris County which is described in subsection (a) of this section as  
35 being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such  
36 district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall  
37 instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least  
38 population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of  
39 Georgia.

40 (c) Those members of the Board of Commissioners of Harris County who are serving as  
41 such immediately prior to the effective date of this section and any person selected to fill  
42 a vacancy in any such office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular  
43 expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their  
44 respective successors. Commissioner Districts 1 through 5, as they exist immediately prior  
45 to the effective date of this section, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner  
46 Districts 1 through 5, respectively, but as newly described under this section; and, on and  
47 after the effective date of this section, such members of the board serving from those  
48 former commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their  
49 respective districts as newly described under this section."

50 **SECTION 2.**

51 The Board of Commissioners of Harris County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act  
52 to be submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965,  
53 as amended, no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the  
54 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

55 **SECTION 3.**

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

Plan: harrisc-2012  
Plan Type: local  
Administrator: harris cc  
User: bak

District 001

Harris County

VTD: 145HA - HAMILTON

2051 2052 2053 2056 2057 2063 2064 2065 2066 2067 2068 2069  
2070 2071 2072 2074  
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VTD: 145PV - PINE MOUNTAIN

VTD: 145VP - VALLEY PLAINS

VTD: 145WA - WAVERLY HALL

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District 002

Harris County

VTD: 145GM - GOODMAN

VTD: 145HA - HAMILTON

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2004 2005 2006 2007 2083 2084 2090 2091

VTD: 145SK - SKINNER

VTD: 145U9 - UPPER 19TH

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2043 2044 2045 2046 2047 2056 2058 2059 2060 2061 2062 2063  
2064 2065 2066 2067 2068 2069 2070 2071 2072 2073 2079 2080  
2081 2082 2110 2111 2112 2113 2114 2115 2119

VTD: 145WH - WHITESVILLE

District 003

Harris County

VTD: 145L9 - LOWER 19TH

VTD: 145MG - MULBERRY GROVE

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VTD: 145U9 - UPPER 19TH

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District 004

Harris County

VTD: 145CA - CATAULA

VTD: 145EL - ELLERSLIE

2014 2015 2018 2019 2020 2021

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VTD: 145HA - HAMILTON

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District 005  
Harris County  
VTD: 145EL - ELLERSLIE

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VTD: 145WA - WAVERLY HALL

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