Senate Bill 435

By: Senator Hooks of the 14th

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Webster County, approved
- 2 April 9, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 5075), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 8,
- 3 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3826), so as to change the description of the education districts; to
- 4 define certain terms; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for
- 5 method of election; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance under the federal
- 6 Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting
- 7 laws; and for other purposes.

## 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.** 

- 10 An Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Webster County, approved April 9, 1993
- 11 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 5075), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 8, 2002 (Ga. L.
- 12 2002, p. 3826), is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

13 "SECTION 2.

- 14 (a) Those members of the Board of Education of Webster County who are serving as such
- immediately prior to the effective date of this Act and any person selected to fill a vacancy
- in any such office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of
- their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective
- successors. On and after the effective date of this Act, the Board of Education of Webster
- 19 County shall consist of five members, four of whom shall be elected from education
- districts described in subsection (b) of this section and one member who shall be the
- 21 chairperson and who shall be elected at large as provided in this Act.
- 22 (b) For purposes of electing members of the board of education, the Webster County
- 23 School District is divided into four education districts. One member of the board shall be
- elected from each such district. The four education districts shall be and correspond to

those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'Plan: websterccsb-2011 Plan Type: Local User: bak'.

(c) For the purposes of such plan:

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- 28 (1) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
- 29 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census
- of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district
- description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual
- 32 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United
- 33 States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia; and
- 34 (2) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the
- description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical
- 36 boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial
- census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.
- 38 (d) Any part of the Webster County School District which is not included in any district
- described in subsection (b) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous
- 40 to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial
- 41 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.
- 42 (e) Any part of the Webster County School District which is described in subsection (b)
- of this section as being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included
- within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part
- shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the
- least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of
- 47 Georgia."

48 SECTION 2.

49 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 4 as follows:

50 "SECTION 4.

- 51 (a) The members of the reconstituted Board of Education of Webster County shall be
- 52 elected as proved in this subsection. The chairperson and members from Education
- Districts 1 and 4 shall be elected at the general election on the Tuesday next following the
- 54 first Monday in November, 2012. The chairperson and those members of the board elected
- 55 thereto from Education Districts 1 and 4 in 2012 shall take office the first day of January
- immediately following that election and shall serve for initial terms of office which expire
- 57 December 31, 2016, and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.
- The members from Education Districts 2 and 3 shall be elected at the general election on
- 59 the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2014. Those members of the

board elected thereto from Education Districts 2 and 3 in 2014 shall take office the first day of January immediately following that election and shall serve for initial terms of office which expire December 31, 2018, and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors. Those and all future successors to members of the board whose terms of office are to expire shall be elected at the time of the state-wide general election immediately preceding the expiration of such terms, shall take office the first day of January immediately following that election, and shall serve for terms of office of four years each. Members of the board shall serve for the terms of office specified therefor in this subsection and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

69 (b) All members of the board who are elected thereto shall be nominated and elected in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code.'"

## 71 SECTION 3.

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

77 SECTION 4.

This section and Section 3 of this Act and those provisions of this Act necessary for the election of members of the Board of Education of Webster County in 2012 shall become effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2013.

SECTION 5.

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

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- 85 Plan Type: Local
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