

## Senate Bill 437

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Henson of the 41st, Butler of the 55th and Thompson of the 5th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act establishing in DeKalb County districts from which members of the county  
2 board of education shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as  
3 amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4536), and by an  
4 Act approved March 14, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4192), so as to revise the composition of the  
5 board of education; to revise the districts for the election of members of the board of  
6 education; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for manner of election; to  
7 provide for submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal  
8 Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide for  
9 effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

12 An Act establishing in DeKalb County districts from which members of the county board of  
13 education shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended,  
14 particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4536), and by an Act  
15 approved March 14, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4192), is amended by revising Sections 1, 2, and  
16 3 to read as follows:

17 "SECTION 1.

18 (a) There is created the board of education of DeKalb County. Until December 31, 2012,  
19 the board of education shall consist of nine members. On and after January 1, 2013, the  
20 board of education shall consist of seven members as provided in this Act, and two seats  
21 shall be abolished on December 31, 2012.

22 (b) For the purpose of electing the members of the board of education, DeKalb County  
23 shall be divided into seven education districts. One member of the board shall be elected  
24 from each education district by the electors of such education district.

25 (c) The seven education districts shall be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,  
26 and 7 described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as  
27 'Plan: dekalbsb-jones-p2-2012 Plan Type: local Administrator: admin User: bak'.

28 (d)(1) When used in such attachment, the term 'VTD' (voting tabulation district) shall  
29 mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the  
30 Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of  
31 Georgia.

32 (2) The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a  
33 VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the  
34 report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the  
35 State of Georgia. Any part of the DeKalb County School District which is not included  
36 in any such district described in that attachment shall be included within that district  
37 contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States  
38 decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

39 (3) Any part of the DeKalb County School District which is described in that attachment  
40 as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if  
41 such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be  
42 included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population  
43 according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

44 (4) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any education district, whenever  
45 the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical  
46 boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States decennial census  
47 of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

## 48 SECTION 2.

49 (a) Those members of the board of education of DeKalb County who are serving as such  
50 on December 1, 2012, and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall  
51 continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of  
52 office and until the election and qualification of their respective successors.

53 (b) Beginning January 1, 2013, the member formerly representing Education District 1  
54 shall be deemed to be representing new Education District 1 as described in Section 1 of  
55 this Act, the member formerly representing Education District 3 shall be deemed to be  
56 representing new Education District 3 as described in Section 1 of this Act, the member  
57 formerly representing Education District 5 shall be deemed to be representing new  
58 Education District 5 as described in Section 1 of this Act, the member formerly  
59 representing Education District 7 shall be deemed to be representing new Education  
60 District 7 as described in Section 1 of this Act, and the member formerly representing

61 Education District 9 shall be deemed to be representing new Education District 4 as  
62 described in Section 1 of this Act.

63 (c) In the 2012 elections, an election shall be held for new Education Districts 2 and 6 as  
64 described in Section 1 of this Act who shall take office on January 1, 2013, for terms of  
65 four years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified. Thereafter,  
66 successors shall be elected at the general election immediately preceding the end of their  
67 terms of office and shall take office on January 1 immediately following such election for  
68 terms of office of four years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

69 (d) In the 2014 elections, an election shall be held for new Education Districts 1, 3, 5, and  
70 7 as described in Section 1 of this Act who shall take office on January 1, 2015, for terms  
71 of four years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified. Thereafter,  
72 successors shall be elected at the general election immediately preceding the end of their  
73 terms of office and shall take office on January 1 immediately following such election for  
74 terms of office of four years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

75 (e) In the 2014 elections, an election shall be held for new Education District 4 as  
76 described in Section 1 of this Act who shall take office on January 1, 2015, for an initial  
77 term of two years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.  
78 Thereafter, successors shall be elected at the general election immediately preceding the  
79 end of their terms of office and shall take office on January 1 immediately following such  
80 election for terms of office of four years and until their respective successors are elected  
81 and qualified.

82 **SECTION 3.**

83 Elections for members of the board of education shall be conducted on a nonpartisan basis  
84 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia  
85 Election Code.'

86 **SECTION 2.**

87 It shall be the duty of the board of education of DeKalb County through its legal counsel to  
88 submit this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as  
89 amended, within 30 days of its approval by the Governor or its becoming law without such  
90 approval.

91 **SECTION 3.**

92 This section, the provisions of this Act relating to and necessary for the purpose of  
93 conducting the 2012 election of members of the board of education of DeKalb County, and  
94 Section 2 of this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its

95 becoming law without such approval. For all other purposes, this Act shall be effective on  
96 January 1, 2013.

97 **SECTION 4.**

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

99 Plan: dekalbsb-jones-p2-2012  
 100 Plan Type: local  
 101 Administrator: admin  
 102 User: bak  
  
 103 District 001  
 104 DeKalb County  
 105 VTD: 089AD - AUSTIN  
 106 VTD: 089AG - ASHFORD DUNWOOD  
 107 VTD: 089AH - ASHFORD PARKSIDE  
 108 VTD: 089CE - CHAMBLEE (CHA)  
 109 VTD: 089CH - CHESNUT ELEMENTARY  
 110 VTD: 089DA - DORAVILLE NORTH  
 111 VTD: 089DB - DORAVILLE SOUTH  
 112 VTD: 089DF - DUNWOODY  
 113 VTD: 089DG - DUNWOODY HIGH SCHOOL  
 114 VTD: 089DI - DUNWOODY LIBRARY  
 115 VTD: 089GD - GEORGETOWN SQ  
 116 VTD: 089HF - HUNTLEY HILLS ELEM  
 117 VTD: 089KB - KINGSLEY ELEM  
 118 VTD: 089MQ - MOUNT VERNON EAST  
 119 VTD: 089MS - MOUNT VERNON WEST  
 120 VTD: 089MU - MONTGOMERY ELEM  
 121 VTD: 089NA - NANCY CREEK ELEM  
 122 VTD: 089NF - NORTH PEACHTREE  
 123 VTD: 089OB - OAKCLIFF ELEM  
 124 VTD: 089PB - PEACHTREE MIDDLE SCHOOL  
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 128 VTD: 089TG - TILLY MILL ROAD  
 129 VTD: 089WI - WARREN TECH  
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 132 3019  
 133 VTD: 089WL - WINTERS CHAPEL

134 District 002  
 135 DeKalb County  
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 147 VTD: 089BE - BRIARWOOD  
 148 VTD: 089BG - BRIARCLIFF  
 149 VTD: 089BI - BROOKHAVEN  
 150 VTD: 089CO - CROSS KEYS HIGH  
 151 VTD: 089DC - DRESDEN ELEM  
 152 VTD: 089DH - DRUID HILLS HIGH SCHOOL  
 153 VTD: 089EG - EMORY SOUTH  
 154 VTD: 089ER - EMORY ROAD  
 155 VTD: 089FB - FERNBANK ELEM  
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 166 VTD: 089LB - LAVISTA ROAD  
 167 VTD: 089LC - LAVISTA  
 168 VTD: 089MJ - MONTCLAIR ELEM  
 169 VTD: 089MP - MARGARET HARRIS  
 170 VTD: 089OA - OAK GROVE ELEM

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 184 DeKalb County  
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 196 VTD: 089CL - CLIFTON ELEMENTARY  
 197 VTD: 089CM - COLUMBIA MIDDLE  
 198 VTD: 089CQ - CANDLER  
 199 VTD: 089CR - CEDAR GROVE MIDDLE  
 200 VTD: 089CS - CEDAR GROVE SOUTH  
 201 VTD: 089EB - EASTLAND  
 202 VTD: 089FC - FLAT SHOALS ELEM  
 203 VTD: 089FD - FORREST HILLS ELEM  
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 214 VTD: 089GC - GRESHAM PARK ELEM  
 215 VTD: 089HH - NARVIE J HARRIS  
 216 VTD: 089KA - KELLEY LAKE ELEM  
 217 VTD: 089KE - KNOLLWOOD ELEM  
 218 VTD: 089ML - MEADOWVIEW ELEM  
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 243 VTD: 089TB - TILSON ELEM



244 VTD: 089TC - TONEY ELEM  
  
 245 District 004  
 246 DeKalb County  
 247 VTD: 089CF - MURPHEY CANDLER  
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 257 VTD: 089LH - LITHONIA HIGH SCHOOL  
 258 VTD: 089MC - MARBUT ELEM  
 259 VTD: 089MF - MCWILLIAMS  
 260 VTD: 089MI - MILLER GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL  
 261 VTD: 089MZ - MILLER GROVE HIGH  
 262 VTD: 089PC - PRINCETON ELEM  
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- 279 District 005
- 280 DeKalb County
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- 285 VTD: 089BM - BETHUNE MIDDLE
- 286 VTD: 089CA - COLUMBIA DRIVE
- 287 VTD: 089CB - CANBY LANE ELEMENTARY
- 288 VTD: 089CG - CHAPEL HILL ELEMENTARY
- 289 VTD: 089CT - COVINGTON HWY L
- 290 VTD: 089DE - DUNAIRE ELEM
- 291 VTD: 089FE - FLAT SHOALS PARKWAY
- 292 VTD: 089FL - FLAT SHOALS LIBRARY
- 293 VTD: 089GB - GLENHAVEN
- 294 VTD: 089GE - GLENHAVEN ELEM
- 295 VTD: 089KC - KELLEY CHAPEL
- 296 VTD: 089KD - ML KING JR HIGH
- 297 VTD: 089MR - BOB MATHIS ELEM
- 298 VTD: 089MV - MILLER GROVE ROAD
- 299 VTD: 089PA - PEACHCREST ELEM
- 300 VTD: 089RA - RAINBOW ELEM
- 301 VTD: 089RG - ROWLAND ELEM
- 302 VTD: 089RJ - ROWLAND ROAD
- 303 VTD: 089SG - SNAPFINGER ELEM
- 304 VTD: 089SM - SALEM MIDDLE
- 305 VTD: 089SR - SNAPFINGER ROAD
- 306 VTD: 089WA - WADSWORTH ELEM
- 307 VTD: 089WB - WESLEY CHAPEL SOUTH
- 308 VTD: 089WG - WOODRIDGE ELEM
  
- 309 District 006
- 310 DeKalb County
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- 312 VTD: 089BH - BROCKETT
- 313 VTD: 089EC - EMBRY HILLS
- 314 VTD: 089EF - EVANSDALE ELEM

315 VTD: 089HB - HAWTHORNE ELEM  
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 331 VTD: 089SQ - STONE MTN LIBRARY  
 332 VTD: 089ST - STEPHENSON MIDDLE  
 333 VTD: 089SV - STEPHENSON HIGH  
 334 VTD: 089TF - TUCKER  
 335 VTD: 089TH - TUCKER LIBRARY  
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 345 District 007  
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357 VTD: 089HA - HAMBRICK ELEM  
358 VTD: 089IA - IDLEWOOD ELEM  
359 VTD: 089IB - INDIAN CREEK ELEM  
360 VTD: 089JB - JOLLY ELEM  
361 VTD: 089MA - ELDRIDGE L MILL  
362 VTD: 089ME - MCLENDON ELEM  
363 VTD: 089MG - MEDLOCK ELEM  
364 VTD: 089MK - MONTREAL  
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366 VTD: 089MN - MEMORIAL SOUTH  
367 VTD: 089NC - NORTH HAIRSTON  
368 VTD: 089ND - NORTHLAKE  
369 VTD: 089PE - PINE LAKE (PIN)  
370 VTD: 089RD - REHOBOTH  
371 VTD: 089RE - ROCKBRIDGE ELEM  
372 VTD: 089RM - REDAN MIDDLE  
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379 VTD: 089VB - VALLEY BROOK