

The House Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local Legislation offers the following substitute to HB 941:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Houston County, approved  
2 March 31, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4435), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 1,  
3 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5590), so as to change the description of the education districts; to  
4 provide definitions and inclusions; to provide for the continuance in office for current  
5 members; to provide for the submission of this Act pursuant to Section 5 of the federal  
6 Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; 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 Houston County, approved March 31, 1994  
11 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4435), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 1, 2002 (Ga. L.  
12 2002, p. 5590), is amended by revising Section 3 as follows:

13 "SECTION 3.

14 (a) For the purpose of electing members of the board of education, the Houston County  
15 School District shall be divided into five education districts. Education Districts 1  
16 through 5 shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described in and  
17 attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'Plan: houstonsbR-2012  
18 Plan Type: Local Administrator: Houston User: Gina'.

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

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

40 **SECTION 2.**

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

42 "SECTION 4.

43 (a) All members of the board of education serving in office on the effective date of this  
 44 section shall continue to serve until the expiration of the terms for which they were elected  
 45 and until their respective successors are elected and qualified unless otherwise removed  
 46 from office as provided by the Constitution and laws of this state.

47 (b) The at-large offices of the reconstituted Board of Education of Houston County shall  
 48 be designated as Post 6 and Post 7. The member of the board of education from at-large  
 49 Post 6 shall be elected at the nonpartisan general election in 2014. The member of the  
 50 board of education from at-large Post 7 shall be elected at the nonpartisan general election  
 51 in 2012. The members of the reconstituted board of education shall be elected to Posts 6  
 52 and 7 by the electors of the entire school district. Such members shall take office on  
 53 January 1 following their election for terms of four years and until their successors are  
 54 elected and qualified.

55 (c) The members of the reconstituted Board of Education of Houston County from  
 56 Education Districts 2 and 4 shall be elected at the nonpartisan general election in 2014.  
 57 Each candidate for membership on the board from such education district shall be elected  
 58 by a majority vote of only the qualified voters of such district voting in such election. Such  
 59 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and  
 60 until their successors are elected and qualified.

61 (d) The members of the reconstituted Board of Education of Houston County from  
 62 Education Districts 1, 3, and 5 shall be elected at the nonpartisan general election in 2012.  
 63 Each candidate for membership on the board from such education district shall be elected  
 64 by a majority vote of only the qualified voters of such district voting in such election. Such  
 65 members shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and  
 66 until their successors are elected and qualified.

67 (e) Successors to members elected under subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this section shall  
 68 be elected at the nonpartisan general election next preceding the expiration of terms of  
 69 office and shall take office on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and  
 70 until their successors are elected and qualified.

71 (f) All members of the board shall be nominated and elected in accordance with Chapter 2  
 72 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code,' in nonpartisan elections as  
 73 provided in Code Section 21-2-139 of the O.C.G.A.

74 (g) Those members of the Board of Education of Houston County who are serving as such  
 75 immediately prior to the effective date of this section, and any person selected to fill a  
 76 vacancy in any such office, shall continue to serve as such members until the regular  
 77 expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their  
 78 respective successors. Education Districts 1 through 5, as they exist immediately prior to  
 79 the effective date of this section, shall continue to be designated as Education Districts 1  
 80 through 5, respectively, but as newly described under Section 3 of this Act, and on and  
 81 after the effective date of this section, such members of the board serving from those  
 82 former education districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their  
 83 respective districts as newly described under Section 3 of this Act.

84 (h) At the first meeting of the board in January of each year, the members of the board  
 85 shall elect their chairperson and other officers to serve for a term of one year as provided  
 86 by the policy and rules of the board. The board shall provide in its rules for filling a  
 87 vacancy in the chairperson's office. The vice chairperson selected by the board shall  
 88 preside at board meetings in the absence of the chairperson and shall have the same right  
 89 to vote while so presiding as any other member but shall have no other powers of the  
 90 chairperson.

91 (i) A majority of the board of education shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of  
 92 business."

### 93 SECTION 3.

94 The Board of Education of Houston County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to  
 95 be submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as

96 amended, no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the Governor  
97 or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

98 **SECTION 4.**

99 If, as of the first date upon which candidates may begin qualifying for the general primary  
100 in 2012, implementation of this Act is not permissible under the federal Voting Rights Act  
101 of 1965, as amended, then as of such date this Act shall be void and stand repealed in its  
102 entirety.

103 **SECTION 5.**

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

Plan: houstonsbR-2012  
Plan Type: Local  
Administrator: Houston  
User: Gina

District 001

Houston County

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VTD: 153ELBC - ELBC

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District 002

Houston County

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District 003

Houston County

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VTD: 153HCHS - HCHS

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District 004

Houston County

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District 005

Houston County

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