By: Representatives McCall of the 30<sup>th</sup> and Powell of the 29<sup>th</sup>

# A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the Board of Education of Madison County, approved 2 March 24, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 4698), as amended, so as to revise the districts for the 3 election of members of the board of education; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to 4 provide for method of election; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance 5 pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA: 7 8 **SECTION 1.** 9 An Act providing for the Board of Education of Madison County, approved March 24, 1988 10 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 4698), as amended, is amended by striking Section 3 and inserting in lieu 11 thereof a new Section 3 to read as follows: "SECTION 3. 12 13 (a) The Board of Education of Madison County shall be composed of five members. 14 (b) For the purpose of electing the members of the board of education, Madison County 15 shall be divided into five education districts. The districts shall be and correspond to those 16 five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'Plan: madisonccsb-2012 Plan Type: Local Administrator: Madison Co User: 17 18 Gina'. 19 (c) For purposes of such plan: 20 (1) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census 21 22 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 United 25 States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

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

30 (d) Any part of Madison County which is not included in any such district described in
31 subsection (b) 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 2010
33 for the State of Georgia.

(e) Any part of Madison County which is described in subsection (b) of this section as
being 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 Georgia."

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#### **SECTION 2.**

40 Said Act is further amended by striking Section 4 and inserting in lieu thereof a new41 Section 4 to read as follows:

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#### "SECTION 4.

(a) The members of the board of education who were elected at the general election in
November 2008 shall continue in office for the terms to which they were elected and until
successors are elected and qualified as provided in this Act. The members of the board of
education who were elected at the general election in November 2010 shall continue in
office for the terms to which they were elected and until successors are elected and
qualified as provided in this Act.

(b) The first members of the reconstituted Board of Education of Madison County from
Education Districts 1 and 2 shall be elected at the nonpartisan general election held in
conjunction with the state-wide general primary in 2014. Such members shall take office
on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and until their successors are
elected and qualified.

(c) The first members of the reconstituted Board of Education of Madison County from
Education Districts 3, 4, and 5 shall be elected at the nonpartisan general election held in
conjunction with the state-wide general primary in 2012. Such members shall take office
on January 1 following their election for terms of four years and until their successors are
elected and qualified.

(d) Successors to members elected under subsections (b) and (c) of this section shall beelected at the nonpartisan general election held in conjunction with the state-wide general

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61 primary next preceding the expiration of such terms of office and shall take office on

January 1 following their election for terms of four years and until their successors areelected and qualified.

(e) Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 as they existed on January 1, 2012, shall continue
to be designated as Education Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, but as newly
described under this Act.

67 (f) Members of the Board of Education of Madison County shall be elected in nonpartisan

68 elections as provided in Code Section 21-2-139. Such nonpartisan elections shall be

69 conducted as provided in Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election

70 Code.'"

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### **SECTION 3.**

72 The Board of Education of Madison County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to

be submitted for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
amended, no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the Governor

75 or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

### **SECTION 4.**

77 The provisions of this Act relating to and necessary for the regular election in 2012 of

78 members of the Board of Education of Madison County shall become effective upon its

approval by the Governor or upon its becoming effective without such approval; and this Act

shall otherwise become effective January 1, 2013.

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## **SECTION 5.**

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

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