

House Bill 957 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Williamson of the 111th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to continue the charter for the Academy of Social Circle and to create a
2 body politic known as the School District of Social Circle, approved April 29, 1997
3 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 4557), so as to change the description of the education districts; to provide
4 for definitions and inclusions; to provide for the continuation in office of the current
5 members of the board of education; to provide for the submission of this Act for preclearance
6 under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related
7 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act to continue the charter for the Academy of Social Circle and to create a body politic
11 known as the School District of Social Circle, approved April 29, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997,
12 p. 4557), is amended by revising subsections (b), (c), and (d) of Section 3 and adding a new
13 subsection to read as follows:

14 "(b) The Board of Education of Social Circle shall consist of five members, all of whom
15 shall be elected from education districts described in subsection (c) of this section except
16 for the member who is the chairperson who shall be elected at large as provided in this Act.

17 (c) For the purpose of electing members of the board of education other than the
18 chairperson, the Social Circle School District is divided into four education districts. One
19 member shall be elected from each such district. The four education districts shall be and
20 correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part
21 of this Act and further identified as 'Plan: soccirsb-2012 Plan Type: Local
22 Administrator: Social Circle SB User: Gina'.

23 (d)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

24 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
25 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial
26 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district

27 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual
 28 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
 29 United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia; and

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

34 (2) Any part of the Social Circle School District which is not included in any district
 35 described in subsection (c) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous
 36 to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial
 37 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

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

44 (e) Those members of the Board of Education of Social Circle who are serving as such
 45 immediately prior to the effective date of this subsection and any person selected to fill a
 46 vacancy in any such office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular
 47 expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their
 48 respective successors. Education Districts 1 through 4, as they exist immediately prior to
 49 the effective date of this subsection, shall continue to be designated as Education Districts 1
 50 through 4, respectively, but as newly described under this Act; and, on and after the
 51 effective date of this subsection, such members of the board serving from those former
 52 education districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective
 53 districts as newly described under this Act."

54 **SECTION 2.**

55 The Board of Education of Social Circle shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to be
 56 submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
 57 amended, no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the Governor
 58 or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

59 **SECTION 3.**

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

Plan: soccirsb-2012
Plan Type: Local
Administrator: Social Circle SB
User: Gina

District 001
Walton County
VTD: 297418 - SOCIAL CIRCLE
1010 1011 1012 1013 1014 1015 1016 1017 1020 1021 1022 1023
1026 1031 1032 2000 2001 2005 2007 2008 2009 2017 2018 2019
2020 2021 3025 3026 3027 3033 4026 4027 4031 4032 4033 4034
4035 4036 4051 4053 4056 4058 4059 4060 4061 4062 4063 4065
4066 4067 4070 4071 4072 4073 4074 4075

District 002
Walton County
VTD: 297418 - SOCIAL CIRCLE
1024 1027 1028 1029 1030 1036 1037 1038 1039 1040 1042 1043
2002 2006 2015 2016 2032 2033 2035 2036 2041 2042 2043 2044
2045 2046 2047 2048 2049 2059 2060 2061 2062 2063 2064 2067
2068 2069 2070 2075 2076 2084 2085

District 003
Newton County
VTD: 21725 - HUB
2004 2005
Walton County
VTD: 297418 - SOCIAL CIRCLE
1000 1002 1003 1005 1008 1009 1018 1019 1025 1044 4042 4043
4044 4045 4046 4047 4048 4049 4076 4079

District 004
Walton County
VTD: 297418 - SOCIAL CIRCLE
1001 1004 4050 4052 4054 4055 4057 4064