

Senate Bill 523

By: Senator Balfour of the 9th

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT**

1 To amend an Act creating the Recorder's Court of Gwinnett County, approved March 27,  
 2 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 3125), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 5, 1987  
 3 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 3765), and an Act approved August 17, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001 Ex. Sess., p. 203),  
 4 so as to provide for the appointment of the judges of such court; to repeal conflicting laws;  
 5 and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act creating the Recorder's Court of Gwinnett County, approved March 27, 1972 (Ga.  
 9 L. 1972, p. 3125), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 5, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987,  
 10 p. 3765), and an Act approved August 17, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001 Ex. Sess., p. 203), is amended  
 11 by deleting Section 5A and revising Section 5 as follows:

12 "SECTION 5.

13 (a) There shall be three judges of the recorder's court appointed by a majority vote of the  
 14 judges of the State Court of Gwinnett County. Each judge appointed shall serve for a term  
 15 of four years and until a successor is appointed and qualified. All vacancies occurring in  
 16 such offices shall be filled in like manner, for the remainder of the unexpired term.

17 (b) The judge of the recorder's court senior in length of continuous service as a recorder's  
 18 court judge shall be chief judge. The chief judge shall be responsible for the administration  
 19 and expeditious disposition of the business of the court and shall have power to make such  
 20 rules as he or she shall deem necessary or proper for such purpose but not in conflict with  
 21 the general laws of this state. The rules of the chief judge shall be binding on the other  
 22 judges of the recorder's court.

23 (c) The judges of the recorder's court serving on the effective date of this Act shall  
 24 continue to serve for the remainder of their terms and until successors are duly appointed  
 25 and qualified."

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**SECTION 2.**

27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.