

Senate Bill 480

By: Senator Jackson of the 2nd

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act completely revising the laws relative to the governing authority of Chatham
2 County, approved March 29, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 5050), as amended, particularly by an Act
3 approved May 17, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3804), so as to change the description of the
4 commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for the
5 continuance in office of current members; to provide for the submission of this Act for
6 preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to
7 provide for related 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 completely revising the laws relative to the governing authority of Chatham County,
11 approved March 29, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 5050), as amended, particularly by an Act
12 approved May 17, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3804), is amended by revising Section 3 as follows:

13 **"SECTION 3.**

14 (a) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Chatham County is
15 divided into eight commissioner districts. One member of the board shall be elected from
16 each such district. The eight commissioner districts shall be and correspond to those eight
17 numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further
18 identified as 'Plan: chathamccsb3-S002&H161-2012 Plan Type: local Administrator:
19 S002&H161 User: SE'.

20 (b)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

21 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
22 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial
23 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district
24 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual

25 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
 26 United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia; and

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

31 (2) Any part of Chatham County which is not included in any district described in
 32 subsection (a) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part
 33 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of
 34 2010 for the State of Georgia.

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

41 **SECTION 2.**

42 (a) Those members of the Board of Commissioners of Chatham County who are serving as
 43 such on the effective date of this Act and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such
 44 office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective
 45 terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.

46 (b) Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, as they exist immediately prior to the
 47 effective date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3,
 48 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the
 49 effective date of this Act, such members of the board serving from those former
 50 commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective
 51 districts as newly described under this Act.

52 **SECTION 3.**

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

57 **SECTION 4.**

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

59 Plan: chathamccsbp3-S002&H161-2012

60 Plan Type: local

61 Administrator: S002&H161

62 User: SE

63 District 001

64 Chatham County

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66 VTD: 0511-10

67 VTD: 0511-12

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69 VTD: 0511-14

70 VTD: 0511-16

71 VTD: 0511-5

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86 District 002

87 Chatham County

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