

House Bill 48EX

By: Representatives James of the 135<sup>th</sup> and Harden of the 147<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act establishing the membership of the Board of Education of Dooly County,  
2 approved April 6, 1967 (Ga. L. 1967, p. 2922), as amended, so as to change the description  
3 of the education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for  
4 continuation in office of current members for the remainder of the terms to which they were  
5 elected; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for  
6 submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as  
7 amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 SECTION 1.

10 An Act establishing the membership of the Board of Education of Dooly County, approved  
11 April 6, 1967 (Ga. L. 1967, p. 2922), as amended, is amended by revising subsections (a) and  
12 (b) of Section 1 as follows:

13 "(a) For purposes of electing members of the board of education, the Dooly County School  
14 District is divided into five education districts. One member of the board shall be elected  
15 from each such district. The five education districts shall be and correspond to those five  
16 numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further  
17 identified as 'Plan: doolyccsb-2011 Plan Type: Local User: admin'.

18 (b) When used in such attachment, the term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same  
19 geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the  
20 United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric  
21 designations in a district description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and  
22 describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the  
23 Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. Any part  
24 of Dooly County which is not included in any such district described in that attachment  
25 shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least  
26 population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of

27 Georgia. Any part of Dooly County which is described in that attachment as being in a  
28 particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not  
29 contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that  
30 district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United  
31 States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in  
32 the description of any district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named  
33 city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for  
34 the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia."

35 **SECTION 2.**

36 It shall be the duty of the Board of Education of Dooly County to require the attorney  
37 therefor to submit this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights  
38 Act of 1965, as amended. If, as of the first date upon which candidates may begin qualifying  
39 for the general primary in 2012, implementation of this Act is not permissible under the  
40 federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, then as of such date this Act shall be void  
41 and stand repealed in its entirety.

42 **SECTION 3.**

43 This section and Section 2 of this Act and those provisions of this Act necessary for the  
44 election of members of the Board of Education of Dooly County in 2012 shall become  
45 effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without  
46 such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2013.

47 **SECTION 4.**

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