

Senate Bill 154

By: Senator Fort of the 39th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to the State Transportation Board, so as to provide that meetings to elect board
3 members shall be open to the public and the vote of such meetings shall be available to the
4 public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
8 State Transportation Board, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 32-2-20,
9 relating to board composition, selection of members, and meetings, to read as follows:

10 "(b) Each member shall be elected to serve for a term of five years and until his or her
11 successor is duly elected and certified. The member of the board from each congressional
12 district shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the House of Representatives
13 and Senate whose respective districts are embraced or partly embraced within such
14 congressional district, meeting in caucus at the regular session of the General Assembly
15 immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of each such board member.
16 Said caucus shall be open to the public and called at the state capitol by the Speaker of the
17 House of Representatives and the President of the Senate within the first ten days of the
18 convening of the General Assembly in regular session by mailing to the members of the
19 General Assembly who are affected written notice at least four days before the caucus,
20 which notice shall state the time, place, and purpose of said caucus. The vote of each
21 member of the caucus shall be recorded and subject to the provisions of Article 4 of
22 Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to open records. Within 15 days after each such election,
23 the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate shall jointly transmit a certificate
24 of such election to the Secretary of State who, upon receipt thereof, shall immediately issue
25 his or her commission thereon, with the great seal of the state affixed thereto. Any member

26 of the board shall be subject to recall at any time by a majority vote of the legislative
27 caucus that elected the member."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.