

House Bill 319

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th and Fludd of the 64th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To authorize the City of Fairburn to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under
2 Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the
3 O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to
4 provide effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 The City of Fairburn shall be and is authorized to exercise all redevelopment and other
9 powers under Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as
10 amended. The intention of this Act is to authorize the City of Fairburn to undertake and
11 carry out community redevelopment, to create tax allocation districts, to issue tax allocation
12 bonds, and to incur other obligations within the meaning of and as fully permitted under the
13 provisions of Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution of the State of
14 Georgia of 1983, as amended, and to authorize the City of Fairburn to exercise
15 redevelopment powers as fully as the "Redevelopment Powers Law" may now or hereafter
16 permit and not to limit any redevelopment powers permitted under the "Redevelopment
17 Powers Law."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Unless prohibited by the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the municipal
20 election superintendent of the City of Fairburn shall call and conduct an election as provided
21 in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of Fairburn
22 for approval or rejection. The municipal election superintendent shall conduct that election
23 on any permissible referendum date under Code Section 21-2-540 of the O.C.G.A., but not
24 later than the November, 2014, general election, and shall issue the call and conduct that
25 election as provided by general law. The municipal election superintendent shall cause the

26 date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately
27 preceding the date thereof in the official organ of Fulton County. The ballot shall have
28 written or printed thereon the words:

29 "() YES Shall the Act be approved which authorizes the City of Fairburn to exercise
30 redevelopment powers under the 'Redevelopment Powers Law,' as it may
31 () NO be amended from time to time?"

32 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring
33 to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on
34 such question are for approval of the Act, then Section 1 of this Act shall become of full
35 force and effect immediately. If Section 1 of this Act is not so approved or if the election is
36 not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective
37 and this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately
38 following that election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of
39 Fairburn. It shall be the municipal election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof
40 to the Secretary of State.

41 **SECTION 3.**

42 Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon
43 its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

44 **SECTION 4.**

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