Senate Bill 223

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend an Act providing for the election of the Board of Commissioners of Schley
- 2 County, approved February 5, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 2229), as amended, particularly by an
- 3 Act approved April 8, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3817), so as to change the description of the
- 4 commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation
- 5 in office of current members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the
- 6 federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal
- 7 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

- 10 An Act providing for the election of the Board of Commissioners of Schley County,
- approved February 5, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 2229), as amended, particularly by an Act
- 12 approved April 8, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3817), is amended by striking subsection (a) of
- 13 Section 1 and inserting in its place a new subsection (a) to read as follows:
- ''(a)(1) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, other than the
- 15 chairperson, Schley County is divided into four commissioner districts. One member of
- the board shall be elected from each such district. The four commissioner districts shall
- be and correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made
- a part of this Act and further identified as 'Plan: schleyccsb-2013 Plan Type: Local
- 19 Administrator: Schley User: Gina'. The fifth member of the board shall be the
- 20 chairperson and shall be elected at large from the entire county. Such position shall be
- 21 designated as Commissioner District 5.
- 22 (2) For the purposes of such plan:
- 23 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
- provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial
- census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a
- district description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe

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

- (B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.
- (3) Any part of Schley County which is not included in any district described in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.
- (4) Any part of Schley County which is described in paragraph (1) of this subsection as being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia."

43 SECTION 2.

- 44 (a) Those members of the board of commissioners who are serving as such on the effective
- date of this Act and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall continue to
- serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of office and
- 47 upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.
- 48 (b) Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4, as they existed immediately prior to the effective
- 49 date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4,
- respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date of this
- Act, such members of the board serving from those former commissioner districts shall be
- 52 deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described
- 53 under this Act.

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54 SECTION 3.

- 55 The Board of Commissioners of Schley County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act
- 56 to be submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965,
- as amended, not later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the
- 58 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

SECTION 4.

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

- 61 Plan: schleyccsb-2013
- 62 Plan Type: Local
- 63 Administrator: Schley
- 64 User: Gina
- 65 District 001
- 66 Schley County
- 67 VTD: 24901 PRECINCT ONE
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