

House Bill 940

By: Representatives Willard of the 51st, Smith of the 134th, and Morris of the 156th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for an additional judge of the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit and
2 Oconee Judicial Circuit, approved May 6, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 570), so as to change the
3 date of election of such additional judges; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 An Act providing for an additional judge of the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit, approved
7 May 6, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 570), is amended by revising Section 1-3 as follows:

8 "SECTION 1-3.

9 The initial judge appointed as provided by this Act shall be appointed by the Governor for
10 a term beginning on his or her appointment and expiring on December 31, 2016, and until
11 a successor is elected and qualified. A successor to the initial judge shall be elected in a
12 manner provided by Code Section 21-2-138 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for
13 the election of judges of the superior courts of this state in 2016 for a term of four years
14 beginning on January 1, 2017, and until the election and qualification of a successor. Future
15 successors shall be elected each four years thereafter as provided by Code Section 21-2-138
16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for terms of four years and until the election and
17 qualification of a successor. They shall take office on the first day of January following the
18 date of the election. Such elections shall be held and conducted in a manner provided by law
19 for the election of judges of the superior courts of this state."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 An Act providing for an additional judge of the Oconee Judicial Circuit, approved May 6,
22 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 570), is amended by revising Section 2-3 as follows:

23 "SECTION 2-3.

24 The initial judge appointed as provided by this Act shall be appointed by the Governor for
25 a term beginning on his or her appointment and expiring on December 31, 2016, and until
26 a successor is elected and qualified. A successor to the initial judge shall be elected in a
27 manner provided by Code Section 21-2-138 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for
28 the election of judges of the superior courts of this state in 2016 for a term of four years
29 beginning on January 1, 2017, and until the election and qualification of a successor. Future
30 successors shall be elected each four years thereafter as provided by Code Section 21-2-138
31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for terms of four years and until the election and
32 qualification of a successor. They shall take office on the first day of January following the
33 date of the election. Such elections shall be held and conducted in a manner provided by law
34 for the election of judges of the superior courts of this state."

35 **SECTION 3.**

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