

The House Committee on Transportation offers the following substitute to HB 775:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 32-9-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 creation of the transit authority by special legislation and the authority's attributes and
3 powers, so as to repeal a population provision relative to creation of a transit authority within
4 metropolitan areas; to provide for the establishment of intergovernmental agreements prior
5 to the operation of service by a transit authority when it is being created in a geographical
6 area where a transit service is already provided by an authority or county government; to
7 provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
8 other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

11 Code Section 32-9-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the creation of
12 the transit authority by special legislation and the authority's attributes and powers, is
13 amended by repealing subsection (c) and by enacting new subsections (c) and (e) to read as
14 follows:

15 "(c) As used in this Code section, the term 'metropolitan area' means the area of any city
16 within this state, together with the area suburban to such city as each such suburban area
17 shall be more specifically delimited by special Act of the General Assembly."

18 "(e) When a transit authority or a county public transit provider is in operation within the
19 territory delimited by the General Assembly of a new transit authority established under
20 this Code section, an intergovernmental agreement shall be entered into between the transit
21 authority or county public transit provider currently in operation and the new transit
22 authority in order for the new transit authority to commence and continue operations."

23 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

24 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014.

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SECTION 3.

26 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.