

House Bill 1029

By: Representative Bentley of the 139<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Dooly County shall be  
2 nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to  
3 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 All elections for the office of probate judge of Dooly County conducted after the effective  
7 date of this Act shall be nonpartisan elections as provided for in Code Section 21-2-139 of  
8 the O.C.G.A. and shall be conducted at the general nonpartisan election immediately  
9 preceding the expiration of the term of such respective office. Such nonpartisan elections  
10 shall be held and conducted as provided in Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the  
11 "Georgia Election Code."

12 **SECTION 2.**

13 Nothing in this Act shall affect the term of office of the probate judge of Dooly County in  
14 office on the effective date of this Act. The sitting probate judge shall serve out the term of  
15 office for which such probate judge was elected and shall be eligible to succeed himself or  
16 herself as provided in this Act.

17 **SECTION 3.**

18 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
19 without such approval.

20 **SECTION 4.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.