

House Bill 528

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Chickamauga in Walker County,  
2 Georgia, approved April 10, 2014 (Ga. L. 2014, p. 4218), so as to revise the duties and  
3 responsibilities of the city manager and the chief of police; to provide for related matters; to  
4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Chickamauga in Walker County, Georgia,  
8 approved April 10, 2014 (Ga. L. 2014, p. 4218), is amended by revising subsections (e) and  
9 (k) of Section 4.10 as follows:

10 "(e) The city manager shall be the chief financial officer of the city and shall prepare draft  
11 budgets for the city and all its departments for submission to the mayor and council. The  
12 city manager shall keep the mayor and council fully advised as to the financial condition  
13 and future needs of the city, and make recommendations to the mayor and city council  
14 concerning the affairs of the city as the city manager deems desirable. The city manager  
15 shall submit to the mayor and council and make available to the public a complete report  
16 of finances and administrative activities of the city at the end of the year."

17 "(k) The city manager shall be the chief personnel officer of the city. The city manager  
18 shall recommend for approval by the mayor and council appointments or removal of city  
19 personnel including department heads except as otherwise provided by law."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 Said Act is further amended by revising subsections (c) and (d) of Section 4.11 as follows:

22 "(c) The police chief shall report to the mayor and council. Under the general direction of  
23 the city manager, the police chief will direct the administration and operation of all services  
24 of the city police department and shall establish the directives, rules, and regulations for  
25 the department. The chief of police shall recommend for appointments or removal of

26 police department personnel to the personnel manager. Police department personnel shall  
27 be appointed or removed as provided in paragraph (7) of subsection (b) of Section 3.19 of  
28 this charter.

29 (d) The police chief may submit a draft budget to the city manager."

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**SECTION 3.**

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