

Senate Bill 341

By: Senator Parent of the 42nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To repeal a former local constitutional amendment, Ga. L. 1981, p. 1914, which former local
2 constitutional amendment was continued in effect as statutory law pursuant to Article VII,
3 Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of Georgia and which provides for a homestead
4 exemption from certain city ad valorem taxes for residents of the City of Decatur in an
5 amount to be fixed by the governing authority of the city at not more than \$2,000.00 for the
6 first year, and which may be increased periodically, but which exemption shall not exceed
7 \$10,000.00; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal
8 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

10 **SECTION 1.**

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12 constitutional amendment was continued in effect as statutory law pursuant to Article VII,
13 Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of Georgia and which provides for a homestead
14 exemption from certain city ad valorem taxes for residents of the City of Decatur in an
15 amount to be fixed by the governing authority of the city at not more than \$2,000.00 for the
16 first year, and which may be increased periodically, but which exemption shall not exceed
17 \$10,000.00, is hereby repealed.

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 The municipal election superintendent of the City of Decatur shall call and conduct an
20 election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of
21 the City of Decatur for approval or rejection. The municipal election superintendent shall
22 conduct that election in conjunction with the November, 2016, general election and shall
23 issue the call and conduct that election as provided by general law. The municipal election
24 superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week
25 for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of DeKalb
26 County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

