

House Bill 1108

By: Representatives Shaw of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th, and Spencer of the 180th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to create the Waycross and Ware County Development Authority,
2 approved March 7, 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 2840), as amended, so as to provide for the
3 composition, qualifications, appointment, filling of vacancies, terms and limits thereon,
4 officers, and compensation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
5 other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act to create the Waycross and Ware County Development Authority, approved March 7,
9 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 2840), as amended, is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

10 "SECTION 2.

11 There is hereby created a body corporate and politic to be known as the 'Waycross and
12 Ware County Development Authority' which shall be deemed to be an instrumentality of
13 the State of Georgia and a public corporation, and by that name, style, and title such body
14 may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and
15 complain and defend in all courts of law and equity. The authority shall consist of eight
16 members who shall be residents of Ware County within or without the corporate limits of
17 the City of Waycross, and not less than 30 years of age at the time of appointment. In
18 making the appointments of the appointed members of the authority, not more than one
19 member shall be selected from any one family, partnership, or other business organization
20 and no appointed member shall be a member of the Ware County Board of Commissioners
21 nor a member of the Commission of the City of Waycross. The members shall be selected
22 in the following manner: Immediately after the approval of this Act, the Commissioners
23 of Ware County and the Commission of the City of Waycross shall each appoint three
24 members of the authority. For the first appointments, the county and the city shall each
25 appoint one person for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. Thereafter, all

26 terms and appointments, except in the case of a vacancy, shall be for four years. In the
27 event any vacancy occurs in the members appointed by the Commissioners of Ware
28 County, the Commissioners of Ware County shall fill by appointment such vacancy for the
29 unexpired term. In the event any vacancy occurs in the members appointed by the
30 Commission of the City of Waycross, the Commission of the City of Waycross shall fill
31 by appointment such vacancy for the unexpired term. A member who has served a full
32 four-year term shall not be eligible for reappointment until the lapse of one year after the
33 expiration of his or her four-year term. The remaining two members shall be the
34 chairperson of the Ware County Board of Commissioners or his or her designee and the
35 mayor of the City of Waycross or his or her designee. The authority shall elect a
36 chairperson, vice chairperson, and a secretary-treasurer, or a secretary and a treasurer.
37 Neither the secretary nor the treasurer shall be required to be a member of the authority.
38 The members of the authority shall be entitled to no compensation. However, all members
39 shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties."

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SECTION 2.

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