

Senate Bill 57

By: Senator McKoon of the 29th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that the costs of special primaries or
3 special elections to fill vacancies in public offices shall be paid by this state in certain
4 circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
5 purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and
9 primaries generally, is amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 21-2-540,
10 relating to conduct of special elections generally, to read as follows:

11 "(f) All costs of a special primary or special election to fill a vacancy in a public office
12 which is not held in conjunction with a general primary or general election shall be
13 reimbursed to the local government conducting such special primary or special election by
14 this state upon application by the local government to this state through the Secretary of
15 State; provided, however, that no reimbursement shall be required for that portion of the
16 costs of any such election which is offset by distribution of qualifying fees pursuant to
17 Code Section 21-2-131."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.