

House Bill 88 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representatives Fleming of the 121st, Powell of the 171st, Quick of the 117th, Holcomb of the 81st, and Evans of the 42nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to general provisions regarding superior court judges, so as to revise the
3 qualifications for superior court judges; to provide for the vacation of such office under
4 certain 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 Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
9 general provisions regarding superior court judges, is amended by revising Code
10 Section 15-6-4, relating to qualifications of superior court judges, as follows:

11 "15-6-4.

12 (a) No person shall be judge of the superior courts unless, at the time of his or her election,
13 he or she has attained the age of 30 years, has been a citizen of the state for three years, has
14 practiced law for seven years, and is a member in good standing with the State Bar of
15 Georgia and has been duly reinstated to the practice of law in the event of his or her
16 disbarment therefrom.

17 (b) The office of any superior court judge shall be vacated upon the disbarment or
18 suspension from the practice of law of such judge by the Supreme Court whether voluntary
19 or involuntary and upon order of the Supreme Court providing for such removal from
20 office."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.