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House Bill 1048

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By: Representatives Bazemore of the 63rd, Bruce of the 61st, Boddie of the 62nd, Jackson of the 64th, and Metze of the 55th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 35 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to home
- 2 rule powers, so as to revise provisions relating to compensation and benefits for employees
- 3 and members of governing authorities; to provide for elections; to provide for related
- 4 matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.** 7 Chapter 35 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to home rule powers, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 36-35-4, 8 9 relating to compensation and benefits for employees and members of governing authority, 10 as follows: 11 "(1)(A) Any such increase shall not be effective until after the taking of office of those 12 elected at the next regular municipal election which is held immediately following the 13 date on which the action to increase the compensation was taken; and 14 (B) Any such increase becoming effective after a regular municipal election held in 15 2020 or anytime thereafter that exceeds 20 percent of the then-current salary or 16 compensation shall not, if the number of elective members of the municipal governing 17 authority exceeds six members, be effective unless or until it is approved by a vote of the electors residing in the municipality at the next regular municipal election held after 18 19 action is taken by the municipal governing authority pursuant to this subsection. It shall 20 be the duty of the election superintendent to hold and conduct the election and certify

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the result thereof to the Secretary of State;"

- 23 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 24 without such approval.

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25 SECTION 3.

26 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.