

House Bill 1075

By: Representatives Holland of the 54th, Gardner of the 57th, Dreyer of the 59th, Jackson of the 64th, Evans of the 83rd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to continue the existence of the Atlanta Independent School System under
2 the management and control of the Atlanta Board of Education, approved June 3, 2003
3 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4154), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2013 (Ga.
4 L. 2013, p. 4341), so as to provide for staggered terms for members of the board of
5 education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act to continue the existence of the Atlanta Independent School System under the
9 management and control of the Atlanta Board of Education, approved June 3, 2003
10 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4154), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2013 (Ga.
11 L. 2013, p. 4341), is amended by revising subsection (g) of Section 2-103 as follows:

12 "(g)(1) Successors to members of the board whose terms of office are to expire shall be
13 elected at the time of the general municipal election immediately preceding the expiration
14 of such terms and shall take office the first day of January immediately following that
15 election. Members of the board shall serve for the terms of office specified therefor in
16 this subsection and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

17 (2) Those members of the board who are serving as such on the effective date of this Act
18 shall continue to serve as such members for the terms of office to which they were
19 elected. The members elected to Education Districts 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 at the general
20 municipal election in 2021 shall each serve a term of two years ending on
21 December 31, 2023. The members elected to Education Districts 2, 4, 6, and 8 at the
22 general municipal election in 2021 shall each serve a term of four years ending on
23 December 31, 2025. Thereafter all members of the board shall each serve a term of office
24 of four years."

25 **SECTION 2.**

26 Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 2-104 as follows:

27 "(a) Organizational meeting; oath. At the first regular meeting of the board in January
28 following each regular election, the board shall organize, and members of the board elected
29 at the preceding regular election shall take and subscribe before a judge of the Superior
30 Court, the following oath of office:

31 I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties
32 of a member of the Atlanta Board of Education during my term in office. I will not
33 knowingly permit my vote in the election and appointment of any person to a position in
34 the Atlanta Independent School System, or on any matter related to said school system,
35 to be influenced by fear, favor, affection, or reward, or hope thereof. In all things
36 pertaining to my said office, I will be governed by the public good and the interests of
37 said school system. I will observe the provisions of the Act reorganizing the Atlanta
38 Board of Education and the rules and regulations of the Atlanta Board of Education. I
39 further swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitutions and laws of the
40 State of Georgia and of the United States of America."

41 **SECTION 3.**

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