

House Bill 1110

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of East Dublin, approved April 9,
2 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4645), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 13, 1994
3 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 5026) and an Act approved April 30, 2019 (Ga. L. 2019, p. 3726), so as to
4 provide a new term for the mayor pro tempore; to provide for the filling of vacancies; to
5 provide for the designation of at-large councilmember posts; to provide for the regular
6 redistricting of city council districts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
7 and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 An Act to provide a new charter for the Town of East Dublin, approved April 9, 1981 (Ga.
11 L. 1981, p. 4645), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 13, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994,
12 p. 5026) and an Act approved April 30, 2019 (Ga. L. 2019, p. 3726), is amended by revising
13 Section 2.17 as follows:

14 "SECTION 2.17.

15 Mayor pro tempore.

16 At the first regular meeting of the mayor and council in January of each year the city
17 council shall elect one of its members as mayor pro tempore. The mayor pro tempore shall
18 serve a term of one year. The mayor pro tempore shall, in the absence, disability, or
19 disqualification of the mayor, perform all of the duties and execute all of the rights, powers,
20 and privileges of the office of mayor."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 2.19 as follows:

23 "SECTION 2.19.

24 Vacancies - generally.

25 (a) In case of a vacancy in the office of any member of the council from death, removal,
26 disability, or any cause whatever, said vacancy shall be filled by the mayor and council, by
27 majority vote, appointing a qualified resident of the city to serve out the unexpired term of
28 office.

29 (b) In the case of a vacancy in the office of mayor from death, removal, disability, or any
30 cause whatever, said vacancy shall be filled by the council appointing a councilmember,
31 by majority vote, to serve out the unexpired term of office. The vacancy created by the
32 elevation of a councilmember pursuant to this subsection shall be filled as provided for in
33 subsection (a) of this section."

34 **SECTION 3.**

35 Said Act is further amended in Section 5.11 by adding new subsections to read as follows:

36 "(f)(1) The at-large councilmembers provided for in subsection (a) of this section shall
37 be elected to posts designated Post 1 and Post 2. Any candidate for the office of at-large
38 councilmember shall designate at the time of qualifying for election that post for which
39 such person is offering.

40 (2) Nothing in this subsection shall affect the term or office of any at-large
41 councilmember serving on the effective date of this Act.

42 (g) The three council districts provided for in this section shall be redistricted after each
43 United States decennial census."

44 **SECTION 4.**

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