

House Bill 1063

By: Representatives Meeks of the 178th and Werkheiser of the 157th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Wayne County, approved
2 March 6, 1962 (Ga. L. 1962, p. 3110), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
3 March 27, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 4548), so as to change the description of the commissioner
4 districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office; to
5 provide for election, terms of office, and qualifications of members; to provide for effective
6 dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Wayne County, approved March 6, 1962
10 (Ga. L. 1962, p. 3110), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 27, 2012 (Ga.
11 L. 2012, p. 4548), is amended by revising Sections 2 and 3 as follows:

"SECTION 2.

Commissioner districts.

(a) The Board of Commissioners of Wayne County shall be composed of five members who shall be elected as provided in this Act. For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Wayne County is divided into five commissioner districts. The districts shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described in Appendix A attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'User: Wayne Co. Plan Name: WayneCCSB-2022 Plan Type: Local'.

(b) For the purposes of such plan:

(1) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

(2) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(c) Any part of Wayne County which is not included in any such district described in subsection (a) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(d) Any part of Wayne County which is described in subsection (a) of this section as being in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within

38 that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the
39 United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

40 SECTION 3.

41 Elections and terms of office.

42 (a) A commissioner shall be elected from each of the five commissioner districts described
43 in Section 2. No person shall be a member of the board if that person is ineligible for such
44 office pursuant to Code Section 45-2-1 of the O.C.G.A. or any other general law applicable
45 to that office. In order to be elected as a member of the board from a commissioner
46 district, a person must receive the number of votes cast as required by general law for that
47 office in that district only. Only electors who are residents of that commissioner district
48 may vote for a member of the board for that district. At the time of qualifying for election
49 as a member of the board from a commissioner district, each candidate for such office shall
50 specify the commissioner district for which that person is a candidate. A person elected
51 or appointed as a member of the board from a commissioner district shall continue to reside
52 in that district during that person's term of office or such office shall become vacant.

53 (b)(1) Those members of the Board of Commissioners of Wayne County who are serving
54 as of March 1, 2022, and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall
55 continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms
56 of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.

57 (2) Successors to members of the board provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection,
58 shall be elected at the time of the November state-wide general election immediately
59 preceding the expiration of such terms, shall take office on the first day of January
60 immediately following that election, and except as provided for in paragraph (3) of this
61 subsection shall have terms of office of four years each and until their respective
62 successors are elected and qualified.

63 (3) At the general election held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in
64 November, 2022, the commissioners elected to Districts 1, 3, and 5 shall each have an
65 initial term of office of two years and until their respective successors are elected and
66 qualified. Thereafter, successors to those commissioners shall serve terms of office of
67 four years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified.

68 (c) All members of the board who are elected thereto shall be nominated and elected in
69 accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code.'"

70 **SECTION 2.**

71 Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, as they exist immediately prior to the effective date
72 of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5,
73 respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date of this
74 Act, such members of the board serving from those former commissioner districts shall be
75 deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described
76 under this Act.

77 **SECTION 3.**

78 The provisions of this Act necessary to conduct elections for the members of the Board of
79 Commissioners of Wayne County in the November, 2022, general election shall become
80 effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without
81 such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective on
82 January 1, 2023.

83 **SECTION 4.**

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

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APPENDIX A

86 User: Wayne Co.

87 Plan Name: WayneCCSB-2022

88 Plan Type: Local

89 District 001

90 County Wayne GA

91 VTD MADRAY SPRINGS

92 VTD ODUM

93 Block 970100:

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107 VTD OGLETHORPE

108 District 002

109 County Wayne GA
 110 VTD EMPIRE
 111 Block 970100:
 112 4052 4053 4101 4103 4104 4105 4106 4107 4108 4109 4110 4111
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 114 Block 970300:
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 139 District 003
 140 County Wayne GA
 141 VTD ALTAMAHA
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 144 Block 970202:
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 198 District 005
 199 County Wayne GA
 200 VTD EMPIRE
 201 Block 970300:
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