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House Bill 1447

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By: Representative Fleming of the 121st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To authorize the City of Grovetown, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers
- 2 under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44
- 3 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for
- 4 a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain
- 5 circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 The City of Grovetown, Georgia, shall be and is authorized to exercise all redevelopment and
- 9 other powers under Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers
- 10 Law," as amended. The intention of this Act is to authorize the City of Grovetown to
- 11 undertake and carry out community redevelopment, to create tax allocation districts, to issue
- 12 tax allocation bonds, and to incur other obligations within the meaning of and as fully
- permitted under the provisions of Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution
- 14 of the State of Georgia of 1983, as amended, and to authorize the City of Grovetown to
- 15 exercise redevelopment powers as fully as the "Redevelopment Powers Law" may now or

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hereafter permit and not to limit any redevelopment powers permitted under the "Redevelopment Powers Law."

18 SECTION 2.

19 The election superintendent of the City of Grovetown shall call and conduct an election, as 20 provided in this section, for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of 21 Grovetown for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct that election 22 on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 2022, and shall issue the call and 23 conduct that election as provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the 24 date and purpose of the election to be published once at least 90 days immediately preceding the date thereof and once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in 25 26 the official organ of Columbia County, Georgia. The ballot shall have written or printed 27 thereon the words:

- 28 "() YES Shall the Act be approved which authorizes the City of Grovetown,
- 29 () NO Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment powers allowed under the 'Redevelopment Powers Law,' as it may be amended from time to time?"

31 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring

32 to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on

such question are for approval of the Act, then Section 1 of this Act shall become of full

force and effect immediately. If this Act is not so approved or if the election is not

35 conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective and

36 this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following

37 such election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of Grovetown.

38 It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of

39 State.

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40 **SECTION 3.**

- 41 Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon
- 42 its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 4.

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