House Bill 1009 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Harden of the 147th and Rynders of the 152nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend an Act creating and establishing a board of commissioners of Worth County, approved August 15, 1904 (Ga. L. 1904, p. 842), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4861), so as to reapportion the commissioner districts; to define certain terms; to provide for members currently serving; to provide for the submission of this Act to the United States Department of Justice; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act creating and establishing a board of commissioners of Worth County, approved August 15, 1904 (Ga. L. 1904, p. 842), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4861), is amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) of Section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(a) For purposes of electing the chairperson and members of the board of commissioners of Worth County, there shall be five commissioner districts to be designated Commissioner Districts 1 through 5, and one commissioner shall be elected from each district. Commissioner District 5 shall consist of the entirety of Worth County. For the purpose of electing the four remaining commissioners, Worth County shall be divided into four commissioner districts which shall be and correspond to those four numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'Plan: worthccsb-2012 Plan Type: Local Administrator: Worth User: bak'.

(b) When used in such attachment, the terms '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 2010 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 2010 for the State of Georgia. Any part

of Worth County which is not included in any such district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Worth County which is described in that attachment 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 that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in the description of any commissioner district, whenever the description of such district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census map for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia."

SECTION 2.

It is the purpose of this Act to reapportion the districts from which members of the board of commissioners of Worth County are to be elected in the November, 2012, general election and in subsequent general elections, and this Act results from changes in population based on the United States decennial census of 2010. It is not the intention of the General Assembly to affect the membership of current members of the board, their terms of office, or the manner in which their successors shall be elected, and such matters shall remain as provided by law on the effective date of this Act until otherwise amended by law, except to the extent of reapportioning the districts represented by such members.

SECTION 3.

The board of commissioners of Worth County shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to be submitted for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; and such submission shall be made to the United States Department of Justice or filed with the appropriate court no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

SECTION 4.

The provisions of this Act relating to and necessary for the regular election in 2012 of members of the board of commissioners of Worth County shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming effective without such approval; and this Act shall otherwise become effective January 1, 2013.

SECTION 5.

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

Plan: worthccsb-2012
Plan Type: Local
Administrator: Worth
User: bak

District 001
Worth County
VTD: 3211 - SYLVESTER
VTD: 32113 - GORDY
VTD: 32116 - PINEY WOODS

District 002
Worth County
VTD: 3212 - SYLVESTER EAST
950200:
1037 1038 1039 1040 1043 1044 1045 1046 1049 1050 1051 1052
1053 1054 1055 1056 1057 1058 1059 1060 1061 1062 1063 1064
1065 1072 1075 1076 1077 4001 4002 4003 4004 4005 4006 4007
4008 4009 4010 4011 4012 4013 4014 4015 4016 4017 4018 4019
4020 4021 4022 4023 4024 4025 4028 4029 4032 4033 4034 4035
4036 4037 4038 4039 4040 4041 4042 4043 4044 4045 4046 4047
4048 4049 4050 4051 4052 4053 4054 4055 4056 4057 4058 4059
4060 4061 4062 4063 4064 4065 4066 4067 4068 4069 4070 4071
950400:
1077 1078 1079 1080 1081 1099
VTD: 3213 - POULAN
VTD: 3214 - SUMNER
VTD: 3215 - SHINGLER

District 003
Worth County
VTD: 32115 - ISABELLA
VTD: 3212 - SYLVESTER EAST
950200:
1028 1030 1031 1033 1034 1035 1036 1041 1042
VTD: 3216 - RED ROCK
VTD: 3217 - DOLES
VTD: 3218 - OAKFIELD
VTD: 3219 - WARWICK

District 004
Worth County
VTD: 32110 - SCOOTERVILLE
VTD: 32111 - MINTON
VTD: 32112 - BRIDGEBORO
VTD: 32114 - COUNTY LINE