

House Bill 26EX (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Welch of the 110th and Knight of the 126th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Butts County, approved February
2 24, 1941 (Ga. L. 1941, p. 793), as amended, so as to reconstitute the board of commissioners;
3 to change the description of the commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and
4 inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for
5 submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
6 amended; to provide for effective 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 Butts County, approved February 24, 1941
10 (Ga. L. 1941, p. 793), as amended, is amended by striking subsections (a) through (d) of
11 Section 3A of said Act and inserting in its place the following:

12 "SECTION 3A.

13 (a) The Board of Commissioners of Butts County which existed on December 31, 2012,
14 is continued in existence but on and after the first Monday in January, 2013, shall be
15 constituted as provided in this Act. The Board of Commissioners of Butts County so
16 continued and constituted, sometimes referred to in this Act as the 'board,' shall continue
17 to have the powers, duties, rights, obligations, and liabilities of that board as existed
18 immediately prior to the first Monday in January, 2013.

19 (b) The Board of Commissioners of Butts County shall consist of five members to be
20 elected from single member districts as provided in this section. Those members of the
21 Board of Commissioners of Butts County who are serving as such on December 31, 2012,
22 and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall continue to serve as such
23 members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the
24 election and qualification of their respective successors.

(c) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Butts County is divided into five commissioner districts. One member of the board shall be elected from each such district. The five commissioner districts shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as: 'Plan: buttscsb-2011 Plan Type:Local User: bak'.

(d)(1) When used in such attachment, the term 'VTD' (voting tabulation district) 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.

(2) 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 Butts 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.

(3) Any part of Butts 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.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any education 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.

The Board of Commissioners of Butts County which existed on December 31, 2012, is continued in existence but on and after January 1, 2013, shall be constituted as provided in this Act. The Board of Commissioners of Butts County so continued and constituted, sometimes referred to in this Act as the "board," shall continue to have the powers, duties, rights, obligations, and liabilities of that board as existed immediately prior to January 1, 2013.

SECTION 3.

It shall be the duty of the governing authority of Butts County to require the attorney therefor to submit this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of

60 1965, as amended. If, as of the first date upon which candidates may begin qualifying for
61 the general primary in 2012, implementation of this Act is not permissible under the federal
62 Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, then as of such date this Act shall be void and stand
63 repealed in its entirety.

64 **SECTION 4.**

65 The provisions of this section and Section 3 of this Act relating to and necessary for the
66 regular election in 2012 of members of the Board of Commissioners of Butts County shall
67 become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming effective without
68 such approval; and this Act shall otherwise become effective January 1, 2013.

69 **SECTION 5.**

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

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Plan Type:Local
User: bak

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Butts County
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