

House Bill 38EX (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Fullerton of the 151st, Rynders of the 152nd, and Dukes of the 150th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating a board of commissioners of Dougherty County, approved March
2 4, 1941 (Ga. L. 1941, p. 834), as amended, so as to reconstitute the board of commissioners;
3 to change the description of the commission districts; to provide for definitions and
4 inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of certain current board members; to provide
5 for submission of this Act for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
6 amended; to provide 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 a board of commissioners of Dougherty County, approved March 4, 1941
10 (Ga. L. 1941, p. 834), as amended, is amended by deleting subsection (c) of Section 1 and
11 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

12 "(c) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, other than the
13 chairperson, Dougherty County is divided into six commission districts. One member of
14 the board shall be elected from each such district. The six commission districts shall be
15 and correspond to those six numbered districts established pursuant to the final order
16 entered on April 23, 2004, in *Knighton v. Dougherty County*, Case Number
17 1:02-CV-130-2(WLS), United States District Court for the Middle District of Georgia, but
18 as modified by the descriptions in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further
19 identified as: 'Plan:doughertyccsb-2011 Plan Type: Local User: admin'.

20 (d)(1) When used in such attachment, the term 'VTD' (voting tabulation district) shall
21 mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the
22 Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of
23 Georgia.

24 (2) The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a
25 VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the
26 report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the

State of Georgia. Any part of Dougherty 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 Dougherty 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 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 Dougherty 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 Dougherty 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 Dougherty County to require the attorney therefor to submit this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended. If, as of the first date upon which candidates may begin qualifying for the general primary in 2012, implementation of this Act is not permissible under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, then as of such date this Act shall be void and stand repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 4.

The provisions of this section and Section 3 of this Act relating to and necessary for the regular election in 2012 of members of the Board of Commissioners of Dougherty 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.

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SECTION 5.

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

District 001
Dougherty County
VTD: 09504 - BEATTIE RD CHURCH
VTD: 09505 - WESTOVER HIGH SCHOOL
VTD: 09508 - DARTON COLLEGE
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VTD: 09528 - CHRIST CHURCH
VTD: 09530 - HARVEST TEMPLE

District 002
Dougherty County
VTD: 09511 - MT ZION CENTER
VTD: 09512 - ALICE COACHMAN
VTD: 09514 - CARVER TEEN CENTER
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VTD: 09521 - BILL MILLER CENTER
VTD: 09522 - RADIUM MIDDLE SCHOOL
VTD: 09529 - LAMAR REESE ELEM
VTD: 09531 - A S U HPER GYM
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District 003
Dougherty County
VTD: 09515 - CARVER GYM
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VTD: 09518 - PHOEBE EDUCATION
VTD: 09519 - TURNER ELEM SCHOOL
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VTD: 09520 - JACKSON HEIGHTS
VTD: 09527 - ALBANY MIDDLE SCHOOL
VTD: 09531 - A S U HPER GYM
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District 004
Dougherty County
VTD: 09501 - PALMYRA RD METHODIST
VTD: 09502 - SHERWOOD ELEM SCHOOL
VTD: 09503 - COVENANT PRES CHURCH
VTD: 09506 - MERRY ACRES MIDDLE

District 005
Dougherty County
VTD: 09508 - DARTON COLLEGE
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VTD: 09509 - WESTTOWN ELEM SCHOOL

VTD: 09510 - SECOND MT ZION
VTD: 09514 - CARVER TEEN CENTER
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VTD: 09515 - CARVER GYM
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VTD: 09517 - SAINTS/CHRIST CHURCH

District 006
Dougherty County
VTD: 09519 - TURNER ELEM SCHOOL
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2018 2019 2020 2033
VTD: 09523 - PUTNEY 1ST BAPTIST
VTD: 09524 - MOCK ROAD ELEM
VTD: 09525 - PHOEBE EAST
VTD: 09526 - BRANCH ROAD BUILDING