

House Bill 147

By: Representative McCall of the 33rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act authorizing and directing the mayor and council of the City of Elberton to
2 divide said city into wards, approved August 5, 1921 (Ga. L. 1921, p. 932), as amended,
3 particularly by an Act approved February 28, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 3634), so as to change
4 the description of the election districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide
5 for manner of election; to provide for the continuation in office of current members; to
6 provide for the submission of this Act for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting
7 Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
8 and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 An Act authorizing and directing the mayor and council of the City of Elberton to divide said
12 city into wards, approved August 5, 1921 (Ga. L. 1921, p. 932), as amended, particularly by
13 an Act approved February 28, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 3634), is amended by revising Section 1
14 as follows:

15 "SECTION 1.

16 (a) For the purpose of electing councilmembers, the City of Elberton shall be divided into
17 five wards. Those wards shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described
18 in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as
19 'Plan: elberton-prop1-2012 Plan Type: Local Administrator: Elberton User: Gina'.

20 (b) For the purposes of such plan:

21 (1) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
22 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census
23 of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district
24 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual
25 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United
26 States decennial census of 2010 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 2010 for the State of Georgia.

(c) Any part of the City of Elberton which is not included in any 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 2010 for the State of Georgia.

(d) Any part of the City of Elberton which is described in subsection (a) of this section as being included 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."

SECTION 2.

(a) Those members of the city council of the City of Elberton who are serving as such on the effective date of this Act and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.

(b) Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, as they exist immediately prior to the effective date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of the city council serving from those former wards shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective wards as newly described under this Act.

SECTION 3.

The governing authority of the City of Elberton shall through its legal counsel cause this Act to be submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, 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.

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

Plan: elberton-prop1-2012
Plan Type: Local
Administrator: Elberton
User: Gina

District 001
Elbert County
VTD: 105189 - ELBERTON
000400:
4027 4028 4030 4031 4032 4033 4034 4035 4036 4037 4038 4039
4040 4041 4042 5019 5025 5026 5027 5028 5033
000500:
1010 1020 1022 1023 1037 1040 1042 1043 2021 2023 2025 2029
4000 4001 4003 4004 4006 4009 4011

District 002
Elbert County
VTD: 105189 - ELBERTON
000400:
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 4026 4029 4043 4044 4045 5000 5001 5002 5003 5004 5005
5006 5007 5008 5009 5010 5011 5012 5013 5014 5015 5016 5017
5018 5020 5021 5022 5023 5024
000500:
1015 1017 1029 1033 1035

District 003
Elbert County
VTD: 105189 - ELBERTON
000300:
3083
000400:
1011 1025 1026 1027 1028 1030 1032 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017
2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 3005

District 004
Elbert County
VTD: 105189 - ELBERTON
000300:
2001 2003 2004 2005 2006 2008 2012 2013 2015 2016 2017 2018
2019 2022 2032 2035 2036 2038
000400:
3000 3001 3002 3003 3004 3006 3007 3008 3009 3010 3011 3012
3013 3014 3015 3016 3017 3018 3019 3020 3021 3022

District 005
Elbert County
VTD: 105189 - ELBERTON
000300:
2021 2027 2028 2029 2030 2031
000400:
3023 3024 5029 5030 5031 5032 5034 5035
000500:
4007 4018 4019 4020 4021 4022 4026
VTD: 105193 - WYCHE
000500:
4013 4027 4032