

House Bill 890

By: Representatives Gaines of the 117th and Wiedower of the 119th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the unification of the existing governments of the City of
2 Athens and Clarke County and providing a charter for the unified government of
3 Athens-Clarke County, approved March 2, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 3560), as amended,
4 particularly by an Act approved March 20, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 4441), so as to change the
5 composition and description of the districts from which the members of the Commission of
6 Athens-Clarke County are elected; to revise the manner of redistricting; to provide for
7 definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office for current members; to
8 provide for effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
9 other purposes.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

12 An Act providing for the unification of the existing governments of the City of Athens and
13 Clarke County and providing a charter for the unified government of Athens-Clarke County,
14 approved March 2, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 3560), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
15 March 20, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 4441), is amended by revising Section 6-201 as follows:

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"SECTION 6-201.

Number of Districts; Boundaries.

(a) For the purpose of electing members of the unified government of Athens-Clarke County, the territory of the unified government of Athens-Clarke County is divided into ten commissioner districts. The boundaries of such districts shall be and correspond to those ten numbered districts described in Appendix A attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'User: Clarke Del. Plan Name: ClarkeCC-LegDraft-2022 Plan Type: Local'.

(b)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

(A) The term '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 2020 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 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

(B) 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 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(2) Any part of the territory of the unified government of Athens-Clarke County 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 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(3) Any part of the territory of the unified government of Athens-Clarke County 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 2020 for the State of Georgia."

SECTION 2.

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 6-202 as follows:

"SECTION 6-202.

Redistricting of Election Districts.

(a) The election district boundaries of the unified government shall be redistricted following the publication of each official federal decennial census of the population of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia. Such redistricting shall be accomplished by the adoption of an amendment to this charter by the General Assembly of Georgia.

(b) The redistricting of election districts shall comply with the following specifications:

(1) Each election district shall be formed of contiguous territory and its boundary lines shall be the center lines of streets or other well defined boundaries as utilized by the United States Bureau of the Census; and

(2) Such election districts shall be nearly equal in population as practicable, and they shall comply with the requirements of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended."

SECTION 3.

Those members of the unified government of Athens-Clarke County 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.

SECTION 4.

Election Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, as they exist immediately prior to the effective date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Election Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of the board serving from those former election districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act.

SECTION 5.

The provisions of this Act necessary to conduct elections for the members of the unified government of Athens-Clarke County in 2022 shall become effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2023.

SECTION 6.

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

79 APPENDIX A

80 User: Clarke Del.

81 Plan Name: ClarkeCC-LegDraft-2022

82 Plan Type: Local

83 District 001

84 County Clarke GA

85 VTD 1B

86 Block 150702:

87 1000 1001 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011

88 1012 1013 1014 1015 1016 1017 1018 1019 1020

89 Block 150900:

90 1018 1019 1020 1021

91 VTD 1C

92 Block 150400:

93 4014 4015 4016 4017 4018 4019 4020

94 Block 150900:

95 1034 1035 1036 1037 1038 1039 1040 1041 1043 1044 1045 2000

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97 3005 3006 3007

98 VTD 1D

99 Block 150800:

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103 4018

104 Block 150900:
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106 VTD 8A
107 VTD 8B
108 Block 150800:
109 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007

110 District 002
111 County Clarke GA
112 VTD 2B
113 Block 030102:
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115 1015 1016 1017 1018 1019 1020
116 Block 030200:
117 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2028 3012 3013 3014 3021
118 3022 3023 3025
119 VTD 3A
120 Block 000600:
121 2020 2023 2024 2025 2034
122 Block 000900:
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131 Block 001800:
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133 VTD 3B
134 Block 000100:
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136 Block 001900:
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141 Block 030102:
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160 District 003

161 County Clarke GA

162 VTD 1A

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179 VTD 1D

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182 VTD 2B

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235 District 005
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265 VTD 6D

266 District 006
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