

Senate Bill 475

By: Senator Lucas of the 26th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating a Board of Commissioners of Wilkinson County, approved  
2 February 28, 1933 (Ga. L. 1933, p. 777), as amended, so as to change the description of the  
3 commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation  
4 in office of current members; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to  
5 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act creating a Board of Commissioners of Wilkinson County, approved February 28,  
9 1933 (Ga. L. 1933, p. 777), as amended, is amended by striking in its entirety subsections (a)  
10 and (b) of Section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

11 "(a) The chairperson of the board of commissioners may reside anywhere within  
12 Wilkinson County and shall be elected by a majority of the qualified electors of Wilkinson  
13 County voting at the elections hereinafter provided for in this Act. Any person offering as  
14 a candidate for chairperson shall have been a resident of said county for at least two years  
15 immediately preceding the date of the election and shall remain a resident during the term  
16 of office. The chairperson and all other members shall be at least 21 years of age as of the

17 date of taking office. For the purpose of electing the other four members of the board,  
18 Wilkinson County shall be divided into four commissioner districts. One member of the  
19 board shall be elected from each such district. The four commissioner districts shall be and  
20 correspond to those four numbered districts described in Appendix A attached to and made  
21 a part of this Act and further identified as 'User: Wilkinson Co. Plan Name:  
22 WilkinsonCCSB-2022 Plan Type: Local'.

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

24 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as  
25 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial  
26 census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district  
27 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual  
28 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the  
29 United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

30 (B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the  
31 description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical  
32 boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial  
33 census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

34 (2) Any part of Wilkinson County which is not included in any district described in  
35 subsection (a) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part  
36 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census  
37 of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

38 (3) Any part of Wilkinson County which is described in subsection (a) of this section as  
39 being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such  
40 district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall  
41 instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least  
42 population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of  
43 Georgia."

**SECTION 2.**

(a) Those members of the Board of Commissioners of Wilkinson 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.

(b) Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4, as they exist immediately prior to the effective date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4, 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 commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act.

**SECTION 3.**

The provisions of this Act necessary to conduct elections for the members of the Board of Commissioners of Wilkinson 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 4.**

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

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## APPENDIX A

63 User: Wilkinson Co.

64 Plan Name: WilkinsonCCSB-2022

65 Plan Type: Local

66 District 001

67 County Wilkinson GA

68 VTD IVEY

69 Block 960300:

70 2012 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2053 2054 3001 3002

71 3003 3004 3005 3006 3007 3008 3009 3010 3011 3012 3072 4002

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76 4053 4054 4055 4058 4059 4060 4061 4062 4063 4064 4067 4068

77 4069 4071 4072 4073 4074 4075 4076 4077 4078 4079 4080 4081

78 4082 4083 4085 4086 4087 4088 4089 4090 4091 4092 4093

79 VTD RAMAH

80 Block 960300:

81 1001 1002 1003 1004 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011 1017 1021

82 1022 1023 1024 1025 1026 2000 2015 2016 2017 2018 2027 2028

83 2035 2036 2037 2038 2039 2040 2048 2055 2056 2057 2058 2059

84 2061 2062 2063 2072 2074 2075 2076 2077 2078 3000

85 District 002

86 County Wilkinson GA

87 VTD IRWINTON

88 Block 960200:

89 3007 3008 3009 3010 3011 3012 3013 3014 3017 3018 3019 3020

90 3021 3022 3023 3024 3025 3026 3027 3028 3029 3030 3031 3032

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93 Block 960300:

94 3058 3059 3064 3065 3066 3067 3068 3069 3070 3071

95 VTD MIDWAY

96 Block 960200:

97 2044 2045 2046 2079 2085 2086 2093 2102 3015 3016

98 VTD RAMAH

99 Block 960300:

100 1000 1005 1012 1013 1014 1015 1016 1018 1019 1020 2001 2002

101 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2013 2014 2026

102 2029 2030 2031 2032 2033 2034 2041 2042 2043 2044 2045 2046

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109 District 003

110 County Wilkinson GA

111 VTD GRIFFIN  
 112 VTD HIGH HILL  
 113 VTD IRWINTON  
 114 Block 960200:  
 115 1024 1025 1026 1027 1041 1042 1043 1044 3005 3006 3048 3049  
 116 3050  
 117 VTD LORD  
 118 Block 960200:  
 119 2065 2066 2075 2076 2084 3000  
 120 Block 960400:  
 121 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011  
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 127 VTD TURKEY CREEK  
  
 128 District 004  
 129 County Wilkinson GA  
 130 VTD BLOODWORTH  
 131 VTD IRWINTON  
 132 Block 960200:  
 133 1028 1029 1031 1032 1033 1034 1035 1036 1037 1038 1039 1040  
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 135 VTD IVEY  
 136 Block 960200:

137      2040 2041 2043 2088  
138      Block 960300:  
139      4000 4001 4007 4008 4056 4057 4065 4066 4070 4084  
140      VTD LORD  
141      Block 960200:  
142      3001 3002 3003 3004  
143      VTD MIDWAY  
144      Block 960200:  
145      1000 1001 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011  
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