

The House Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local Legislation offers the following substitute to SB 612:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4,  
2 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to change the corporate limits of such  
3 municipality; to provide for city council districts; to provide definitions and inclusions; to  
4 provide for the continuance in office for current members; to provide for related matters; to  
5 provide for a referendum; to provide for contingent effective dates and automatic repeal; to  
6 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L.  
10 1991, p. 4359), as amended, is amended by adding a new Section 1.11A to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 1.11A.

12 Boundaries Amended.

13 (a) In addition to all other territory included within the corporate limits of said city, the  
14 corporate limits shall specifically include the following described property, all of which is  
15 located in Henry County, Georgia:

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16 User: SD010  
17 Plan Name: Stockbridge-Annex-2022  
18 Plan Type: Local

19 District ANNEX  
20 County Henry GA  
21 VTD COTTON INDIAN  
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52 VTD HICKORY FLAT  
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60 Block 070316:  
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63 VTD LAKE HAVEN  
64 Block 070210:  
65 2005 2006 2012  
66 Block 070316:  
67 1023 1024 1025 1032  
68 VTD LIGHTHOUSE

69 Block 070126:

70 1000 1002 1003 1005 1006 1007 1010 1011 1018

71 VTD PATES CREEK

72 Block 070116:

73 2000 2003 2004 2005 2008 2010 2011 2012

74 Block 070123:

75 1002 1003 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011 1012 1013 1014

76 1016 1017 1018

77 Block 070124:

78 1024 2020 2024 2025 2027 2028 2029 2030

79 VTD RED OAK

80 Block 070115:

81 1002 1003 1005 1006 1009 1010 1012 1014 1015 1016 1017 1019

82 1022 1023 1024 1030 1031 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2013

83 2014 2018 2019 2020 2033 2035

84 Block 070124:

85 1008 1009 1021 2002 2004 2005 2007 2008 2017 2018 2019 2026

86 VTD STAGECOACH

87 Block 070113:

88 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011 1012 1013 1017 1021 1024 1025 1027

89 1029 1030 1031 1032 1033 1034 1035 1041 2000

90 Block 070125:

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92 2004 2006 2009 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2020 2022 2023

93 Block 070126:

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95 VTD STOCKBRIDGE CENTRAL

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100 Block 070119:  
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104 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016  
105 VTD STOCKBRIDGE EAST-WEST  
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111 3009 3018 3021 4009 4011 4012 4016 4017 4018  
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113 1000 1001 1007 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008  
114 2009 2010 2012 2013  
115 Block 070124:  
116 1000 1001  
117 Block 070316:  
118 2000  
119 VTD SWAN LAKE  
120 Block 070117:  
121 2039 2040

122 (b) For the purposes of such plan, Stockbridge-Annex-2022, described in subsection (a)  
123 of this section, the term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries  
124 as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census  
125 of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district  
126 description which are underneath a 'VTD' heading shall mean and describe individual  
127 blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United  
128 States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia."

129 **SECTION 2.**

130 Said Act is further amended by adding a new subsection to Section 2.10 to read as follows:

131 "(c) The five councilmembers to be elected as provided in this section shall be elected from  
132 the districts provided for in subsection (d) of Section 2.11. In order to be elected as a  
133 member of the city council from a district, a person must have resided in that district for  
134 at least 12 months prior to election thereto and must receive a plurality of the votes cast for  
135 such office in that district. Only electors who are residents of that district may vote for a  
136 councilmember of that district. At the time of qualifying for election as a councilmember,  
137 each candidate for such office shall specify the district for which that person is a candidate.  
138 A person elected as a councilmember from a district must continue to reside in that district  
139 during the person's term of office or such office shall thereupon become vacant."

140 **SECTION 3.**

141 Said Act is further amended by revising subsections (b) and (d) of Section 2.11 as follows:

142 "(b) All elections shall be held and conducted in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of  
143 the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code' as now or hereafter amended."

144 "(d)(1) For the purpose of electing councilmembers the City of Stockbridge shall be  
145 divided into five council districts. Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 shall be and correspond to  
146 those five numbered districts described in Appendix A attached to and made a part of this

147 Act and further identified as 'User: SD010 Plan Name: StockbridgeCC-Dist2-2022 Plan  
148 Type: Local'.

149 (2) For the purposes of such plan:

150 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as  
151 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial  
152 census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district  
153 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual  
154 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the  
155 United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

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

160 (3) Any part of the City of Stockbridge which is not included in any district described  
161 in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be included within that district contiguous to such  
162 part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census  
163 of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

164 (4) Any part of the City of Stockbridge which is described in paragraph (1) of this  
165 subsection as being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included  
166 within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous  
167 part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains  
168 the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State  
169 of Georgia.

170 (5) Any territory purportedly described in a district in paragraph (1) of this subsection  
171 that is not within the corporate limits of the City of Stockbridge shall not be part of any  
172 such district.

173 (6) The initial councilmembers for Districts 3, 4, and 5 shall be elected at the municipal  
 174 general election held in 2023, and the councilmembers elected at such election shall take  
 175 office as provided for in Section 3.11 of this charter.

176 (7)(A) The initial councilmember for District 1 as newly described under this  
 177 subsection shall be Alphonso Thomas, and on and after the effective date of this  
 178 subsection such councilmember shall be deemed to be serving from and representing  
 179 District 1 as described under this subsection.

180 (B) The initial councilmember for District 2 as newly described under this subsection  
 181 shall be LaKeisha Gantt, and on and after the effective date of this subsection such  
 182 councilmember shall be deemed to be serving from and representing District 2 as  
 183 described under this subsection."

184 **SECTION 4.**

185 The election superintendent of Henry County shall call and conduct a special election as  
 186 provided in this section for the purpose of submitting the annexation provided for in this Act  
 187 to the electors of the territory sought to be annexed into the City of Stockbridge under this  
 188 Act for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct such election on the  
 189 Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2022, and shall issue the call and  
 190 conduct such election as provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause  
 191 the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately  
 192 preceding the date thereof in the official organ of Henry County. The ballot shall have  
 193 written or printed thereon the words:

194 "( ) YES Shall the provisions of the Act which annexes certain land into the City of  
 195 ( ) NO Stockbridge be approved?"

196 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the annexation shall vote "Yes," and all persons  
 197 desiring to vote for rejection of the annexation shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the  
 198 votes cast on such question are for approval of the annexation, then Section 1 of this Act

199 shall become effective on January 1, 2023. If more than one-half of the votes cast on such  
200 question are for rejection of the annexation, this Act shall not become effective and shall be  
201 automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following such election date.  
202 The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of Stockbridge. It shall be the  
203 election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

204 **SECTION 5.**

205 Those members of the City of Stockbridge City Council who are serving as such on the  
206 effective date of this Act, and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall  
207 continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of  
208 office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.

209 **SECTION 6.**

210 (a) Section 4 this Act shall become effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor  
211 or upon its becoming law without such approval.

212 (b) Except as provided for in Section 4 of this Act, Sections 5 and 7 and the provisions of  
213 this Act necessary to conduct elections for the members of the city council in 2023 shall  
214 become effective on January 1, 2023.

215 (c) Except as provided for in Section 4 and subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the  
216 remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2024.

217 **SECTION 7.**

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

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## APPENDIX A

220 User: SD010

221 Plan Name: StockbridgeCC-Dist2-2022

222 Plan Type: Local

223 District 001

224 County Henry GA

225 VTD LIGHTHOUSE

226 Block 070126:

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228 VTD STAGECOACH

229 Block 070109:

230 2013

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 253 County Henry GA  
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272 District 003  
273 County Henry GA  
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