

ADOPTED

Senators Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd and others offered the following amendment #1:

1 *Amend the substitute to HR 1042 (LC 47 3083S) by replacing lines 1 through 11 with the*
2 *following:*

3 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to revise provisions relating to county
4 supplements; to provide for the grandfathering of certain superior court judges so as to not
5 reduce their compensation; to raise the minimum retirement age of new superior court
6 judges; to authorize

7 *By replacing lines 18 through 95 with the following:*

8 compensation and allowances as provided by law; ~~county supplements are hereby~~
9 ~~continued and may be granted or changed by the General Assembly. County governing~~
10 ~~authorities which had the authority on June 30, 1983, to make county supplements shall~~
11 ~~continue to have such authority under this Constitution. An incumbent's salary, allowance,~~
12 ~~or supplement~~ total compensation and allowances shall not be decreased during the
13 incumbent's term of office.

14 (b)(1) No county supplements shall be paid except as otherwise provided for in this
15 subparagraph.

16 (2) County governing authorities may supplement the state compensation paid to
17 superior court judges in the form of locality pay. The locality pay provided to a judge
18 shall not exceed 10 percent of such judge's annual state salary; provided, however, that
19 the General Assembly shall by general law provide for the reduction in the allowable

amount of locality pay at a lower ratio based upon the annual state salary paid to superior court judges and for the procedures necessary to implement this subparagraph.

(3) Each superior court judge in office on July 1, 2024, shall have the option to continue to receive the annual salary, as well as all county supplements, in the same manner he or she was receiving such compensation on such date. The General Assembly shall by general law provide procedures for such judges to exercise the option provided for in this subparagraph.

(4) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the governing authority of the county or counties comprising a judicial circuit from continuing to provide a local salary supplement to the chief judge of the circuit that was otherwise authorized by law on July 1, 2024.

(c) No superior court judge who first takes office after January 1, 2025, shall be eligible for retirement benefits until attaining the age of 65."

By replacing lines 108 through 113 with the following:

"() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to revise procedures for
() NO calculating the compensation of superior court judges by providing that such
judges shall primarily be paid by the state and not county governments, and
to raise the retirement age of superior court judges taking office as of July 1,
2025?"