

House Bill 1489

By: Representatives Baker of the 64th, Alexander of the 66th, and New of the 40th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Douglasville, approved April 16,
2 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4559), as amended, to require candidates seeking election from a
3 district to reside in such district for a certain amount of time prior to the date of such election;
4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Douglasville, approved April 16, 1999
8 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4559), as amended, is amended by revising Section 2.11 as follows:

9 "SECTION 2.11.

10 City council; terms and qualifications for office.

11 The members of the city council shall serve for terms of four years and until their
12 respective successors are elected and qualified. No person shall be eligible to serve as
13 mayor or concilmember unless that person shall be at least 21 years of age and shall have
14 been a resident of the city for twelve months prior to the date of the election of the mayor
15 or members of the city council. Each member of the city council shall continue to reside
16 in the city during such member's term and shall be registered and qualified to vote in

17 municipal elections of this city. Candidates seeking election as a councilmember from a
18 district shall reside in such district for at least twelve months prior to the date of the
19 election of members of the city council. This residency requirement shall also apply to
20 write-in candidates."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.