

House Bill 1577

By: Representative Sainz of the 180th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Woodbine, approved March 25,
2 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3670), so as to revise the powers of the mayor; to authorize the mayor
3 to vote on all matters before the city council; to provide for the mayor to select and supervise
4 the city administrator; to provide for the suspension of the city administrator in certain
5 circumstances; to revise contracting procedures; to provide for related matters; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act providing a new charter for the City of Woodbine, approved March 25, 1996
10 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3670), is amended in Section 3.22 by revising paragraph (7) as follows:

11 "(7) Participate in the discussion of all matters brought before the city council and vote
12 on all matters;"

13 **SECTION 2.**

14 Said Act is further amended in Section 4.14 by revising subsections (a) and (b) as follows:

15 "(a) The mayor may appoint a city administrator, subject to the approval of the city
16 council, who shall be the chief administrative officer of the city. The city administrator
17 shall be responsible to the mayor and city council for the administration and conduct of all
18 city affairs placed in his or her charge by or under the charter of the City of Woodbine or
19 by and under the code or ordinances of the City of Woodbine.

20 (b)(1) The city administrator shall serve for an indefinite term; provided, however, that
21 the mayor may suspend the city administrator for a period not to exceed 14 days if the
22 city administrator fails to take corrective actions that the mayor has directed the city
23 administrator to take in writing. Any such suspension shall be without pay, and the
24 mayor shall not have authority to suspend the city administrator pursuant to this
25 subsection more than three times in a calendar year.

26 (2) The mayor and council shall affix the compensation of the position."

27 **SECTION 3.**

28 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 6.30 as follows:

29 "SECTION 6.30.

30 Procurement and property management.

31 No contract with the city shall be binding on the city unless:

32 (1) It is in writing;

33 (2)(A) Except as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, it is made or
34 authorized by the city council; or

35 (B) It is a contract for:

36 (i) Accounting;

37 (ii) Auditing; or

38 (iii) Legal services made or authorized by the mayor;

39 provided, however, for each of the types of services provided for in divisions (i)
40 through (iii) of this subparagraph, the mayor shall not have the authority to make or
41 authorize contracts in excess of \$25,000.00 per year; and further provided that the
42 mayor shall only have the power to enter into a contract pursuant to this subparagraph
43 if the city fails to meet the audit or budget reporting requirements for municipalities
44 established by general law for a period of more than 12 months;

45 (3) The approval pursuant to paragraph (2) of this section is entered in the city council
46 journal of proceedings pursuant to Section 3.14 of this charter; and

47 (4) Except for the necessity to receive city council authorization, any contract made
48 pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of this section shall be made pursuant to
49 the general procurement procedures provided for by ordinance."

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SECTION 4.

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