

House Bill 1531 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Jasperse of the 11<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Ball Ground, approved March 28,  
2 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 4552), as amended, so as to revise provisions relating to elections so  
3 as to provide that primaries and elections for the City of Ball Ground shall be held and  
4 conducted in accordance with the "Georgia Election Code"; to make conforming changes;  
5 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act providing a new charter for the City of Ball Ground, approved March 28, 1990 (Ga.  
9 L. 1990, p. 4552), as amended, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 2.10 as  
10 follows:

11 "(b) The mayor and councilmembers 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 councilmember unless that person shall have been a resident of the city for 12  
14 months prior to the date of election of mayor or councilmembers; each councilmember  
15 shall continue to reside therein and be registered and qualified to vote in municipal  
16 elections of the city during his or her period of service."

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17 **SECTION 2.**

18 Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 2.11 as follows:

19 "(b) All primaries and elections shall be held and conducted in accordance with Chapter  
20 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code,' as now or hereafter amended.  
21 Candidates for nonpartisan city offices shall file a notice of candidacy during the city's  
22 nonpartisan qualifying period as provided for in Code Section 21-2-132 of the O.C.G.A.  
23 for candidates for a nonpartisan municipal office."

24 **SECTION 3.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.