

House Bill 568 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Rynders of the 152nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Warwick, approved April 19, 2000
2 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 4334), so as to change the description of the council districts for the election
3 of members of the city council to be consistent with the United States decennial census of
4 2010 for the State of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to
5 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 Warwick, approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L.
9 2000, p. 4334), is amended by revising Section 5.11 as follows:

10 "SECTION 5.11

11 (a) For purposes of electing members of the city council, the City of Warwick shall consist
12 of two districts. District 1 shall consist of Posts 1 and 2, and District 2 shall consist of
13 Posts 1 and 2. One member of the council shall be elected from each such Post.
14 Councilmembers seeking election for the positions of Post 1 in District 1 and Post 1 in
15 District 2 shall be elected at an election to be held on the Tuesday following the first
16 Monday in November, 2013. Councilmembers seeking election for the positions of Post
17 2 in District 1 and Post 2 in District 2 shall be elected at an election to be held on the
18 Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 2015. Councilmembers shall serve for
19 terms of four years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

20 (b)(1) The two council districts shall be and correspond to those two numbered districts
21 described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'Plan:
22 warwickcity-2013 Plan Type: local Administrator: warwick User: bak'.

23 (2) When used in such attachment, the term 'VTD' (voting tabulation district) shall mean
24 and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau
25 of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

26 (3) The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a
27 VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the
28 report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the
29 State of Georgia. Any part of the City of Warwick which is not included in any such
30 district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to
31 such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial
32 census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

33 (4) Any part of the City of Warwick which is described in that attachment as being in a
34 particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not
35 contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that
36 district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the
37 United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia."

38 **SECTION 2.**

39 The city council which existed on January 1, 2013, is continued in existence, but on and after
40 January 1, 2013, it shall be constituted as provided in this Act. The city council of the City
41 of Warwick so continued and constituted shall continue to have the powers, duties, rights,
42 obligations, and liabilities of that city council as existed immediately prior to January 1,
43 2013.

44 **SECTION 3.**

45 The governing authority of the City of Warwick shall through its legal counsel cause this Act
46 to be submitted for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965,
47 as amended, no later than 45 days after the date on which this Act is approved by the
48 Governor or otherwise becomes law without such approval.

49 **SECTION 4.**

50 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
51 without such approval.

52 **SECTION 5.**

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

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Plan Type: local

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District 001

Worth County

VTD: 3219 - WARWICK

950100:

1028 1029 1031 1037 1039 1040 1041

District 002

Worth County

VTD: 3219 - WARWICK

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