

House Bill 242 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Cheokas of the 138th and Yearata of the 152nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992
2 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5985), as amended, so as to remove a requirement for city manager; to
3 lengthen the contract term allowed for city manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L.
8 1992, p. 5985), as amended, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 3-101 as
9 follows:

10 "(b)(1) The city manager shall be appointed solely on the basis of executive and
11 administrative qualifications. The city manager shall hold at least a bachelor's degree
12 from a four-year college or university and shall have such other qualifications as may be
13 determined by the city council.

14 (2) The city may enter into an employment contract with the city manager for a term not
15 to exceed four years. No such contract shall be automatically renewable, but any such
16 contract may be renewed by mutual agreement of the city council and city manager. Any

17 such contract may provide for a severance payment of salary and benefits to the city
18 manager for a term to be agreed upon between the city and the city manager at the time
19 the contract is executed, but any such severance payments shall only be payable in the
20 event that the city manager is removed by the city without cause."

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SECTION 2.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.