House Bill 711 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)
By: Representative Yearta of the 152\textsuperscript{nd}

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to provide ward residence requirements for city councilmembers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.
An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), is amended by revising Section 2.11 as follows:

SECTION 2.11.
City council terms and qualifications for office.

(a) The members of the city council shall serve for terms of four years and until their respective successors are elected and qualified. No person shall be eligible to serve as mayor or councilmember unless that person shall have been a resident of the city for at least 12 months prior to the date of election of the mayor or member of the council; each
shall continue to reside therein during that member's period of service and to be registered
and qualified to vote in municipal elections of this city.

(b) In addition to the requirements of subsection (a) of this section, no person shall be
eligible to serve as a councilmember unless that person shall have been a resident of the
ward he or she represents for at least 12 months prior to the date of election and shall
continue to reside therein during that member's period of service. Nothing in this
subsection shall effect the qualifications or terms of councilmembers serving on the
effective date of this Act."

SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.