

House Bill 1116 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Benton of the 31<sup>st</sup> and Gaines of the 117<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend an Act entitled "An Act to create a board of county commissioners for the county  
2 of Jackson," approved December 18, 1901 (Ga. L. 1901, p. 257), as amended, particularly  
3 by an Act approved March 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 3570) and an Act approved May 18,  
4 2007 (Ga. L. 2007, p. 4030), so as to add a fifth district commissioner to said board; to  
5 change the description of the commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and  
6 inclusions; to provide for the election of the chairperson and members of the board of county  
7 commissioners; to revise majority vote and quorum provisions; to revise purchasing  
8 provisions; to provide for the continuation in office of current members; to provide for  
9 effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other  
10 purposes.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

12 **SECTION 1.**

13 An Act entitled "An Act to create a board of county commissioners for the county of  
14 Jackson," approved December 18, 1901 (Ga. L. 1901, p. 257), as amended, particularly by  
15 an Act approved March 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 3570) and an Act approved May 18, 2007  
16 (Ga. L. 2007, p. 4030), is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

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## "SECTION 2.

(a) As of January 1, 2023, the board of commissioners of Jackson County shall consist of a chairperson and five district commissioners. The five district commissioners shall be residents of their respective commissioner districts described in subsection (b) of this section and shall be elected by the electors of their respective commissioner districts as provided in Section 3 of this Act.

(b) For the purpose of electing members of the board of commissioners, Jackson County shall be divided into five commissioner districts. One member of the board shall be elected for each such district. The five commissioner districts shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described in Appendix A attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'User: Jackson CC Plan Name: JacksonCC-2022 Plan Type: Local'.

(c)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

(A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

(B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(2) Any part of Jackson County which is not included in any district described in subsection (b) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

43 (3) Any part of Jackson County which is described in subsection (b) of this section as  
44 being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such  
45 district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall  
46 instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least  
47 population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of  
48 Georgia.

49 (d) Those members of the board of commissioners of Jackson County who are serving as  
50 such immediately prior to the effective date of this subsection, and any person selected to  
51 fill a vacancy in any such office, shall continue to serve as such members until the regular  
52 expiration of their respective terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their  
53 respective successors. Commissioner districts 1 through 4, as they exist immediately prior  
54 to the effective date of this subsection, shall continue to be designated as commissioner  
55 districts 1 through 4, respectively, but as newly described under this subsection, and on and  
56 after the effective date of this subsection, such members of the board serving from those  
57 former commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their  
58 respective districts as newly described under this subsection."

59 **SECTION 2.**

60 Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 4 as follows:

61 "(a)(1) At the general election held in November, 2024, the chairperson and  
62 commissioners from commissioner districts 1 and 2 shall be elected.

63 (2) At the general election held in November, 2022, the commissioners from  
64 commissioner districts 3, 4, and 5 shall be elected.

65 (b) Those and all future successors to the chairperson and commissioners from  
66 commissioner districts whose terms of office are to expire shall be elected at the general  
67 election immediately preceding the expiration of such terms, shall take office on the first

68 day of January in the year following that election, and shall serve for terms of office of four  
69 years until their successors are duly elected and qualified."

70 **SECTION 3.**

71 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 9 as follows:

72 "SECTION 9.

73 The board of commissioners shall hold one regular meeting each month at the county seat,  
74 which meeting shall be open to the public. The time, date, and place of the meetings shall  
75 be determined by the board in the first meeting of the year. Any resolution passed by the  
76 board regarding the date, time, and place of its monthly meetings shall be published in the  
77 official county organ once a week for two weeks during a period of 30 days immediately  
78 following the passage of the resolution. The board of commissioners may hold such  
79 additional meetings as shall be necessary when called by the chairperson or any four  
80 commissioners, provided all members of the board of commissioners shall have been  
81 notified of such special meeting which is open to the public. Any four commissioners or  
82 the chairperson and any three commissioners shall constitute a quorum. No official action  
83 shall be taken except upon the affirmative vote of at least four members of the board of  
84 commissioners and except upon compliance with Chapter 14 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.,  
85 relating to open and public meetings. The chairperson shall be entitled to vote on any  
86 question or issue before the board and may make or second any motion before the board.  
87 All regular and called meetings shall be conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order.*"

88 **SECTION 4.**

89 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 12 as follows:

90 "SECTION 12.

91 Formal sealed bids shall be received for all purchases in an amount over \$30,000.00.  
92 Advertisements for such bids shall be published for two consecutive weeks in the official  
93 organ of Jackson County. The need for such bids may be dispensed with by the board of  
94 commissioners if it decides that any emergency exists which will not permit a delay."

95 **SECTION 5.**

96 Section 4 and the provisions of this Act necessary to conduct elections for the members of  
97 the Board of Commissioners of Jackson County in 2022 shall become effective upon the  
98 approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval. The  
99 remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2023.

100 **SECTION 6.**

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

## 102 APPENDIX A

103 User: Jackson CC

104 Plan Name: JacksonCC-2022

105 Plan Type: Local

106 District 001

107 County Jackson GA

108 VTD Central Jackson

109 Block 010104:

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113 Block 010200:

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120 Block 010701:

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122 Block 010703:

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125 Block 010704:

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163 District 002

164 County Jackson GA

165 VTD North Jackson

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261 District 004

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319 VTD West Jackson

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