

House Bill 777 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives McClain of the 109th, Reeves of the 99th, Clark of the 108th, Mughal of the 105th, Bennett of the 94th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the board of commissioners of Gwinnett County, approved
2 January 31, 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2003), as amended, so as to provide for the compensation
3 of the chairperson; to update provisions related to the compensation of commissioners; to
4 provide for related matters; to provide a contingent effective date and automatic repeal; 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 creating the board of commissioners of Gwinnett County, approved January 31, 1968
9 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2003), as amended, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 7 as
10 follows:

11 "(a)(1) The chairperson shall receive as his or her base compensation for service as
12 chairperson a salary equal to 100 percent of the minimum salary of the sheriff of
13 Gwinnett County as set forth in the minimum salary schedule in general state law as of
14 January 1, 2023. The chairperson shall also be entitled to receive as compensation an
15 amount equal to any supplements provided to the sheriff of Gwinnett County by general
16 state law or local resolution or ordinance as well as any cost-of-living or general

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17 performance based increases awarded to state employees on or after January 1, 2020.
18 The chairperson shall also be entitled to receive any cost-of-living increases given to
19 Gwinnett County employees generally on or after January 1 of the year following the
20 effective date of this subsection.

21 (2) As set by resolution of the board of commissioners in 2016, each member of the
22 board of commissioners other than the chairperson shall receive as his or her base
23 compensation for service as such member a salary of \$45,000.00 per year. Each member
24 of the board of commissioners other than the chairperson shall also continue to receive
25 any cost-of-living increases awarded to Gwinnett County employees generally since the
26 base compensation was set and any cost-of-living or general performance based increases
27 awarded to state employees since the base compensation was set.

28 (3) In addition to the above, all members shall be entitled to receive any training
29 certification supplement or other form of compensation as provided by law."

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SECTION 2.

31 This Act shall become effective on the first day of July in the year in which an Act to repeal
32 an Act fixing the compensation of the board of commissioners of counties having a
33 population in excess of 500,000, according to the 1970 United States Census, or any future
34 census, and providing that the commissioners shall be authorized to fix the compensation of
35 the chairman and commissioners within certain limitations, approved March 30, 1971
36 (Ga. L. 1971, p. 2369), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 17, 2002
37 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 1473), is enacted; provided, however, that if such repealing Act is not so
38 enacted and approved prior to December 31, 2024, this Act shall not become effective and
39 shall be automatically repealed on January 1, 2025.

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SECTION 3.

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