

Senate Bill 137

By: Senator Dixon of the 45th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to incorporate the City of Mulberry, approved February 13, 2024
2 (Ga. L. 2024, p. 3518), so as to revise provisions related to jurisdiction of the municipal
3 court; to revise transition provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act to incorporate the City of Mulberry, approved February 13, 2024 (Ga. L. 2024,
8 p. 3518), is amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 4.13 as follows:
9 "(a) The municipal court shall have jurisdiction and authority to try and punish violations
10 of this charter, all city ordinances, and such other violations as provided by law."

11 **SECTION 2.**

12 Said Act is further amended in Section 8.11 by revising subsections (e) and (g) as follows:
13 "(e) During such transition period, Gwinnett County shall continue to provide within the
14 territorial limits of the city all government services and functions which Gwinnett County
15 provided in that area during the years 2023 and 2024 and at the same actual cost, except

to the extent otherwise provided in this section and except that the governing authority of Gwinnett County shall make no modifications to the zoning of any property located within the city during such transition period; provided, however, that upon at least 60 days' prior written notice to Gwinnett County by the City of Mulberry, responsibility for any such service or function shall be transferred to the City of Mulberry. During the transition period, the city shall remain within the Gwinnett County special services district, but shall be removed from such district at the conclusion of such period."

"(g) Any transfer of jurisdiction regarding violations of law or ordinance to the Municipal Court of the City of Mulberry during or at the end of the transition period shall not in and of itself abate any judicial proceeding pending in Gwinnett County or the pending prosecution of any violation of any ordinance of Gwinnett County."

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.