

Senate Bill 399

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

**AS PASSED**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT**

1 To amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Macon County and to  
 2 provide for its powers and duties, approved June 3, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4532), so as to  
 3 expand the board from three to five members; to provide for terms of the additional board  
 4 members; to remove expired and outdated provisions; to provide for related matters; to  
 5 provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act to create a board of elections and registration for Macon County and to provide for  
 9 its powers and duties, approved June 3, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4532), is amended by revising  
 10 Section 3 as follows:

11 **"SECTION 3.**

12 (a) As of July 1, 2020, the board shall be expanded from three members to five members,  
 13 each of whom shall be an elector and a resident of Macon County. All members of the  
 14 board shall be appointed by the Board of Commissioners of Macon County. The board  
 15 shall select a chairperson from among its members.

16 (b) The members of the board serving on the board on June 30, 2020, shall serve out the  
 17 terms for which they were originally appointed. The terms for the two initial expansion  
 18 appointments shall begin on July 1, 2020, and shall expire on June 30, 2024. Thereafter,  
 19 the members shall serve for terms of four years beginning on the first day of July  
 20 immediately following the expiration of the appointee's term of office and until a successor  
 21 is appointed and qualified."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 Said Act is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of Section 5 as follows:

24 "(1) Serve for a term of four years and until a successor is appointed and qualified;"

25 **SECTION 3.**

26 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 8 as follows:

27 "SECTION 8.

28 Before entering upon the duties of office, each member shall take substantially the same oath  
29 as required by law for county registrars and shall have the same privileges from arrest."

30 **SECTION 4.**

31 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 20 as follows:

32 "SECTION 20.

33 Reserved."

34 **SECTION 5.**

35 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
36 without such approval.

37 **SECTION 6.**

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