

House Bill 1117

By: Representatives Quick of the 117th, Williams of the 119th, and Frye of the 118th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Downtown Athens Development Authority, approved March
2 23, 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 3533), as amended, which authority was created pursuant to an
3 amendment to the Constitution as contained in Ga. L. 1975, p. 1698, and amended by Ga. L.
4 1976, p. 1912; to define and create the Downtown Athens Area; to provide for other matters
5 relative to the foregoing; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act creating the Downtown Athens Development Authority, approved March 23, 1977
10 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 3533), as amended, which authority was created pursuant to an amendment
11 to the Constitution as contained in Ga. L. 1975, p. 1698, and amended by Ga. L. 1976, p.
12 1912), is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

13 "SECTION 2.

14 The Downtown Athens Area shall consist of that area in Athens-Clarke County, Georgia,
15 described as follows:

16 Beginning at the intersection of Dougherty Street and Pulaski Street; running thence east
17 on Dougherty Street 155 feet to property of The Housing Authority of the City of Athens;
18 running thence north 235 feet; running thence east 143 feet to property of the Unified
19 Government of Athens-Clarke County; running thence north along the west boundary of
20 such property to the northwest corner of such property and the southwest corner of
21 property of the Athens Community Council on Aging; running thence east along the
22 dividing line of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County and the
23 property of the Athens Community Council on Aging to North Hull Street; running
24 thence south along North Hull Street to its intersection with West Dougherty Street;
25 running thence east on West Dougherty Street 86 feet to the property line of the Unified

26 Government of Athens-Clarke County; running thence north parallel to North Hull Street
27 to the abandoned right-of-way of Strong Street; running thence east to the point where
28 the abandoned right-of-way of Strong Street intersects with North Lumpkin Street;
29 running thence south along North Lumpkin Street to its intersection with Dougherty
30 Street; running thence easterly along Dougherty Street 196 feet to the boundary line of
31 property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County; running thence north
32 along such boundary to East Strong Street; running thence east on East Strong Street to
33 College Avenue; running thence north on College Avenue to Hoyt Street; running thence
34 north on College Avenue 730.18 feet to an iron pin ; running thence south $72^{\circ} 22$ minutes
35 west 402.6 feet to an iron pin; running thence south $17^{\circ} 38$ minutes east 430.78 feet on
36 the northerly side of Hoyt Street; running thence south on the north side of Hoyt Street
37 to its intersection with College Avenue; after crossing College Avenue running thence
38 east on Hoyt Street 145 feet to a 25 foot drive; running thence north along the 25 foot
39 drive to its intersection with Monroe Street; running thence east on Monroe Street to The
40 Central of Georgia Railroad; running thence south on The Central of Georgia Railroad
41 to the southwest corner of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County
42 on the east side of the right of way of the Central of Georgia Railroad; running thence
43 northeasterly along the northwestern boundary of property of the Unified Government
44 of Athens-Clarke County to Willow Street; running thence south on Willow Street to the
45 southeasterly boundary of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County;
46 running thence southwest along the southeasterly boundary of property of the Unified
47 Government of Athens-Clarke County to the northeastern right of way of the Central of
48 Georgia Railroad; running thence south along the right-of-way of the Central of Georgia
49 Railroad to the northwest corner of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke
50 County; running thence east along the northern boundary of property of the Unified
51 Government of Athens-Clarke County to the right-of-way of the Central of Georgia
52 Railroad; running thence northwesterly along the right-of-way of the Central of Georgia
53 Railroad to the northwest corner of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke
54 County; running thence northeast along such boundary to Willow Street; running thence
55 north along Willow Street to North Avenue; running thence north along North Avenue
56 to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway; running thence south along Dr. Martin Luther
57 King Jr. Parkway to a point which is the northeast corner of property owned by the State
58 of Georgia; running east along the north boundary of property owned by the State of
59 Georgia; running thence south along the westerly boundary of property owned by the
60 State of Georgia and the easterly boundary of property of the Unified Government of
61 Athens-Clarke County to East Broad Street; after crossing East Broad Street begin at the
62 northeasterly corner of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County at

63 the intersection of East Broad Street and the North Oconee River; running thence
64 southerly along the North Oconee River 110 feet; running thence in a westerly direction
65 along property of Edward L. Mingledorff 140 feet; running thence northerly 97.8 feet to
66 East Broad Street; running thence north across East Broad Street to the northwesterly
67 corner of East Broad Street and Willow Street; proceed northerly on Willow Street to the
68 northeast corner of property of HSRE UGA 909 Broad II, LLC; running thence west
69 along the north boundary of property of HSRE UGA 909 Broad II, LLC to property of
70 the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County; running thence south along the
71 boundary of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County to the
72 northeast corner of property of Sierra Eclipse Associates, LLC; running thence west
73 along the north property line of Sierra Eclipse Associates, LLC to the northwest corner
74 of such property; running thence south along the boundary of property of the Unified
75 Government of Athens-Clarke County to East Broad Street; running thence across East
76 Broad Street and continue southerly along the eastern boundary of property of the Unified
77 Government of Athens-Clarke County (formerly Central of Georgia Railroad) to the east
78 bank of the North Oconee River; running thence along the east bank of the river north
79 435 feet to the south boundary of property of the University of Georgia Board of Regents;
80 running thence easterly following the dividing line between the University of Georgia
81 Board of Regents and property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County
82 crossing Trail Creek; running thence north up Trail Creek to East Broad Street; running
83 thence east on East Broad Street 64 feet; running thence south along the eastern boundary
84 of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County to the southwestern
85 corner of property of Stephen Patrick Berry and Claudia W. Berry; running thence
86 westerly to the east bank of Trail Creek; running thence south along Trail Creek to the
87 intersection of the east bank of Trail Creek and the north bank of the North Oconee River;
88 running thence along the north and east bank of the North Oconee River to its intersection
89 with the western boundary of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke
90 County (formerly Central of Georgia Railroad); running thence north along the western
91 boundary of property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County to East Broad
92 Street; running thence west along the north side of East Broad Street to a point 74 feet
93 from the intersection of the centerline of East Broad Street and Hickory Street; running
94 thence north 5° west 188 feet; running thence south 87° 30 minutes west 143 feet;
95 running thence south 1° 42 minutes east 190 feet to East Broad Street; running thence
96 west on East Broad Street to its intersection with Foundry Street; running thence south
97 on Foundry Street to Oconee Street; running thence southeast on Oconee Street to The
98 Central of Georgia Railroad; running thence southwest on the Central of Georgia
99 Railroad 150 feet; running thence northwest on a line of 150 feet southwest of and

100 parallel to the southwesterly right of way line of Oconee Street to the intersection of
 101 South Thomas Street and South Street; running thence west on South Street to South
 102 Jackson Street; running thence north on South Jackson Street to East Broad Street;
 103 running thence west on East Broad Street to Lumpkin Street; running thence south on
 104 Lumpkin Street to Wray Street; running thence west on Wray Street to South Hull Street;
 105 running thence north on South Hull Street to a point 200 feet south of the southerly right
 106 of way line of West Broad Street; running thence west, on a line 200 feet south of and
 107 parallel to the southerly right of way line of West Broad Street to the
 108 northwesterly-corner of property of The Housing Authority of the City of Athens;
 109 running thence south 423 feet along the boundary of property of The Athens Housing
 110 Authority of the City of Athens on a line parallel with Hull Street; running thence in a
 111 westerly direction along the southern boundary of property of The Housing Authority of
 112 the City of Athens on a line 190 feet north of and parallel to Waddell Street to a point on
 113 the westerly boundary of property of The Housing Authority of the City of Athens;
 114 running thence south 190 feet to Waddell Street; running thence along Waddell Street in
 115 a westerly direction to its intersection with South Newton Street; running thence north
 116 on South Newton Street to the southeasterly corner of property of the Athens Motel
 117 Company; running west along the southerly boundary of property of the Athens Motel
 118 Company to its intersection with the easterly boundary of other property of The Housing
 119 Authority of the City of Athens; running thence north on the line separating Athens Hotel
 120 Company from The Housing Authority of the City of Athens to the northeasterly most
 121 corner of property of The Housing Authority of the City of Athens; running thence west
 122 along the northerly boundary of property of The Housing Authority of the City of Athens
 123 to the easterly side of Finley Street; running thence northerly along Finley Street to Reese
 124 Street; thence easterly along Reese Street to Pulaski Street; thence northerly along Pulaski
 125 Street to the intersection of Pulaski and Dougherty Streets, the beginning point."

126 **SECTION 2.**

127 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
 128 without such approval; provided, however, that the tax levies provided for herein shall be
 129 effective beginning January 1, 2017.

130 **SECTION 3.**

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