

House Bill 692

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 31 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 incorporation of municipalities, so as to provide that no local Act granting a municipal  
3 charter shall be enacted wherein any part of the proposed corporate boundary is less than a  
4 distance of three miles from the corporate boundary of any existing municipal corporation  
5 in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 31 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to incorporation  
9 of municipalities, is amended by revising Code Section 36-31-3, relating to minimum  
10 population standards for proposed municipal corporation, as follows:

11 "36-31-3.

12 (a) To be eligible for original incorporation as a municipal corporation, the minimum  
13 population standards of the area embraced within the proposed municipal boundary shall  
14 be as follows:

15 (1) A total resident population of at least 200 persons; and

16 (2) An average resident population of at least 200 persons per square mile for the total  
17 area.

18 (b) No local Act granting a municipal charter shall be enacted wherein any part of the  
19 proposed corporate boundary is less than a distance of three miles from the corporate  
20 boundary of any existing municipal corporation in this state."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.