

House Bill 779

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide for the election of the members of the Paulding County Board  
2 of Education, approved March 21, 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2381), as amended, particularly by  
3 an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4151), so as to revise provisions related to  
4 filling vacancies on the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and  
5 for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act to provide for the election of the members of the Paulding County Board of  
9 Education, approved March 21, 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2381), as amended, particularly by an  
10 Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4151), is amended by revising Section 3 as  
11 follows:

12 "SECTION 3.

13 (a) In the event a vacancy occurs on the board for any reason other than expiration of term  
14 of office:

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15 (1) If the vacancy occurs more than 90 days prior to the date of a general election  
16 preceding the general election at which a successor will be elected to a new full term of  
17 office, then such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term of office at a special  
18 election to be held on the same date as said general election preceding the general  
19 election at which a successor will be elected to a new full term of office; and in this case  
20 the remaining members of the board of education shall, by majority vote, select a  
21 qualified person to fill the vacancy until the person elected at such special election takes  
22 office; and

23 (2) If the vacancy does not occur more than 90 days prior to the date of a general election  
24 preceding the general election at which a successor will be elected to a new full term of  
25 office, then the remaining members of the local board of education shall, by majority  
26 vote, select a qualified person to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

27 (b) In the event a member moves his or her residence from the education district he or she  
28 represents, a vacancy shall exist.

29 (c) At its first meeting each year, the members of the board shall elect one of their number  
30 to serve as chairperson for that year and until the election of a chairperson in the  
31 subsequent year. A member shall be eligible to succeed himself or herself as a member of  
32 the board and also as chairperson of the board."

33 **SECTION 2.**

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