

House Bill 863

By: Representative Strickland of the 111th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4,
2 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to revise the manner of filling vacancies on
3 the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991
8 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, is amended by revising Section 2.12 as follows:

9 "SECTION 2.12.

10 Vacancies in office.

11 (a) Vacancies - The office of mayor or councilmember shall become vacant upon the
12 incumbent's death, resignation, forfeiture of office, or occurrence of any event specified by
13 the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., or such other applicable
14 laws as are or may hereafter be enacted.

15 (b) Filling of Vacancies - A vacancy in the office of mayor or councilmember shall be
16 filled for the remainder of the unexpired term, if any, by appointment by the city council
17 or those members remaining if fewer than 12 months remain in the unexpired term. If such
18 vacancy occurs 12 months or more prior to the expiration of the term of that office, it shall
19 be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by a special election in accordance with
20 Titles 21 and 45 of the O.C.G.A., or other such laws as are or may hereafter be enacted."

21 **SECTION 2.**

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

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SECTION 3.

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.