House Bill 953

By: Representative Leverett of the 33<sup>rd</sup>

# A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County, approved February 25, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 1228), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 5, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4909) and by an Act approved March 27, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 4561), so as to change the description of the commissioner districts; to define certain terms and provide for certain inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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#### **SECTION 1.**

An Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County, approved
February 25, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 1228), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
April 5, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4909) and by an Act approved March 27, 2012
(Ga. L. 2012, p. 4561), is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

"SECTION 2.

(a) For the purpose of electing members of the board of commissioners, Lincoln County
shall be divided into five commissioner districts. Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4
shall be and correspond to those four numbered districts described in Appendix A attached
to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'User: Lincoln Co. Plan Name:
LincolnCCSB-2022 Plan Type: Local'. Commissioner District 5 shall be comprised of the
entire geographic area of Lincoln County.

21 (b)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

(A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial
census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district
description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual
Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

- (B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the
  description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical
  boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial
  census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.
- 32 (2) Any part of Lincoln County which is not included in any district described in
   33 subsection (a) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part
   34 which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census
   35 of 2020 for the State of Georgia.
- (3) Any part of Lincoln County which is described in subsection (a) of this section as
   being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such
   district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall
   instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least

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40 population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of
41 Georgia."

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# **SECTION 2.**

(a) Those members of the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County who are serving as
such on the effective date of this Act and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such
office shall continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective
terms of office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.

(b) Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4, as they exist immediately prior to the effective date of this Act, shall continue to be designated as Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, but as newly described under this Act, and on and after the effective date of this Act, such members of the board serving from those former commissioner districts shall be deemed to be serving from and representing their respective districts as newly described under this Act.

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### **SECTION 3.**

The provisions of this Act relating to and necessary for the regular election in 2022 of members of the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval; and this Act shall otherwise become effective January 1, 2023.

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#### **SECTION 4.**

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

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## APPENDIX A

- 61 User: Lincoln Co.
- 62 Plan Name: LincolnCCSB-2022
- 63 Plan Type: Local
- 64 District 001
- 65 County Lincoln GA
- 66 VTD 1811-A MIDWAY
- 67 VTD 1811-B LINCOLN CLUB
- 68 VTD 1812 LINCOLN CENTER
- 69 Block 970100:
- 70 1041 1048 1049 1050 1051 1052 1060 1062 1063 3026 4007 4008
- 71 4009 4015 4016 4017 4018 4019 4020 4021 4022
- 72 District 002
- 73 County Lincoln GA
- 74 VTD 1812 LINCOLN CENTER
- 75 Block 970100:
- 81 Block 970200:

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- 82 3027 3029 3030 3031 3033 3034 3035 3036 3038 3039 3049 3050
- 83 3051 3052 3053 3055 3056 3057 3058 3063
- 84 VTD 1813-B TABERNACLE
- 85 Block 970200:
- 86 3023 3024 3025 3026 3028 3044
- 87 District 003
- 88 County Lincoln GA
- 89 VTD 1812 LINCOLN CENTER
- 90 Block 970200:
- 91 1047 1048 1049 3059 3060 3061 3062 3071
- 92 VTD 1813-A FAITH TEMPLE
- 93 VTD 1813-B TABERNACLE
- 94 Block 970200:
- 95 1001 1004 1016 1017 1018 1019 1021 1022 1024 1026 1027 1028
- 96 1029 1030 1031 1039 1054 1055 1056 1057 1058 3043 3045 3046
- 97 3054
- 98 VTD 1814-B MARTINS CROSSROAD
- 99 Block 970200:
- $100 \quad 1015 \quad 1020 \quad 1023 \quad 1025 \quad 1032 \quad 1033 \quad 1034 \quad 1036 \quad 1038 \quad 1059 \quad 1060$
- 101 District 004
- 102 County Lincoln GA
- 103 VTD 1814-A BETHANY CHURCH
- 104 VTD 1814-B MARTINS CROSSROAD

105 Block 970200:

106	1000	1002	1003	1005	1006	1007	1008	1009	1010	1011	1012	1013
107	1014	1035	1037	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
108	2009	2010	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
109	2023	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	3009	3012	3013	3014	3015
110	3016	3017	3018	3019	3020	3021	3022	3047	3048			