

Senate Bill 261

By: Senator Jordan of the 6th

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT**

1 To amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration in Cobb County, approved  
 2 March 28, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 4653), as amended, so as to provide for members of the  
 3 board to be appointed by the governing authority of Cobb County; to provide for the  
 4 nomination of persons to be appointed to the board; to provide for a two-year term for board  
 5 members; to provide for an effective date; to provide for date board members will take  
 6 office; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act to create a board of elections and registration in Cobb County, approved March 28,  
 10 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 4653), as amended, is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

11 **"SECTION 2.**

12 (a) The board shall be composed of five members, each of whom shall be an elector and  
 13 resident of Cobb County, who shall be appointed in the following manner:

14 (1) Two members shall be appointed by the governing authority of Cobb County from  
 15 nominations made by the chair of the county executive committee of the political party  
 16 whose candidates at the last preceding general election held for the election of all  
 17 members of the General Assembly received the largest number of votes in this state for  
 18 members of the General Assembly;

19 (2) Two members shall be appointed by the governing authority of Cobb County from  
 20 nominations made by the chair of the county executive committee of the political party  
 21 whose candidates at the last preceding general election held for the election of all  
 22 members of the General Assembly received the second largest number of votes in this  
 23 state for members of the General Assembly; and

24 (3) One member shall be appointed by the governing authority of Cobb County, and this  
 25 member shall be designated as the chairperson of the board.

26 (b) All members of the board shall be appointed for terms of two years and shall serve  
27 until their successors are appointed and qualified."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 5 as follows:

30 "SECTION 5.

31 Each member of the board shall be eligible to succeed himself or herself for one term  
32 following the completion of one two-year term, not including any time served under an  
33 interim appointment pursuant to Section 6 of this Act. Each member of the board shall  
34 have the right to resign at any time by giving written notice of his or her resignation to the  
35 respective appointing authority and to the clerk of the superior court. Each member of the  
36 board shall be subject to removal from the board at any time, for cause after notice and  
37 hearing, and in the same manner and by the same authority as provided for removal of  
38 registrars."

39 **SECTION 3.**

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

42 **SECTION 4.**

43 Subject to this Act being effective pursuant to Section 3 of this Act, the initial members of  
44 the board appointed pursuant to this Act shall take office on June 1, 2019.

45 **SECTION 5.**

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