

House Bill 1015

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Concord, Georgia, approved March  
2 28, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4793), so as to increase the term of office of the mayor and city  
3 councilmembers; to remove the cap on the annual millage rate; to provide an effective date;  
4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act creating a new charter for the City of Concord, Georgia, approved March 28, 1984  
8 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4793), is amended by revising Section 2.11 as follows:

9 "SECTION 2.11.

10 Mayor and city council; terms and qualifications for office.

11 The mayor and members of the city council shall serve for terms of four years and until  
12 their respective successors are elected and qualified. No person shall be eligible to serve  
13 as mayor or councilmember unless he or she meets the requirements of a qualified elector  
14 for members of the General Assembly as prescribed by state law, has been a resident of the  
15 city for three months prior to the date of qualifying for the office of mayor or members of  
16 the city council, and has no debts outstanding against him or her in favor of the city. The  
17 mayor and each councilmember shall continue to reside within the city limits during their  
18 respective terms of service and shall be registered and qualified to vote in municipal  
19 elections of this city."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 6.11 as follows:

22 "SECTION 6.11.

23 Millage rate, due dates, payment methods.

24 The city council, by ordinance, shall establish a millage rate for the city property tax, a due  
25 date, and in what length of time these taxes must be paid. The city council, by ordinance,  
26 may provide for the payment of these taxes by installments or in one lump sum, as well as  
27 authorize the voluntary payment of taxes prior to the time when due."

28 **SECTION 3.**

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

31 **SECTION 4.**

32 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.