

House Bill 1173

By: Representative Greene of the 151<sup>st</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Bluffton, approved March 24, 1994  
2 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 3786), so as to provide that the mayor can vote on the city council to provide  
3 a majority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

6 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Bluffton, approved March 24, 1994 (Ga. L.  
7 1994, p. 3786), is amended in Section 3.15 by revising subsection (a) as follows:

8 "(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, three councilmembers  
9 shall constitute a quorum and shall be authorized to transact the business of the city  
10 council. Voting on the adoption of ordinances shall be by voice vote and the vote shall be  
11 recorded in the journals, but any member of the city council shall have the right to request  
12 a roll-call vote and such vote shall be recorded in the journal. Except as otherwise  
13 provided in this charter, the affirmative vote of three councilmembers shall be required for  
14 the adoption of any ordinance, resolution, or motion. For the purposes of this section, the  
15 mayor shall be counted as a councilmember for the purpose of establishing a quorum or  
16 providing a third affirmative vote."

17 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

18 Said Act is further amended in Section 3.22 by revising paragraph (7) as follows:

19 "(7) Participate in the discussion of all matters brought before the city council and vote  
20 on such matters only in the case of a tie vote or to provide a third affirmative or negative  
21 vote."

22 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 3.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.