

House Bill 385

By: Representatives Bazemore of the 63rd, Jackson of the 64th, Bruce of the 61st, Willard of the 51st, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia,
2 approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), so as to provide for when the mayor may
3 vote and be included in the determination of a quorum; to provide for related matters; to
4 provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved
8 April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), is amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 3.15
9 as follows:

10 "(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this section, four councilmembers
11 shall constitute a quorum and shall be authorized to transact the business of the city
12 council. For voting and quorum purposes, the mayor shall be counted as one of the
13 councilmembers; provided, however, that the mayor shall vote only in the case of a tie.
14 Voting on the adoption of ordinances shall be by voice vote and the vote shall be recorded
15 in the journal, but any member of the city council shall have the right to request a roll-call
16 vote and such vote shall be recorded in the journal. No councilmember shall abstain from
17 voting except in the case of a conflict of interest or if absent when a motion being voted
18 upon was made. The councilmember shall provide a specific explanation of the conflict,
19 and the explanation shall be recorded in the journal."

20 **SECTION 2.**

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

23 **SECTION 3.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.