

House Bill 938

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To provide that future elections for the office of chief magistrate of Gwinnett County shall  
2 be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal  
3 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

6 All elections for the office of chief magistrate of Gwinnett County conducted after the  
7 effective date of this Act shall be nonpartisan elections as provided for in Code Section  
8 21-2-139 of the O.C.G.A. and shall be conducted at the nonpartisan general election  
9 immediately preceding the expiration of each respective term of office. Such nonpartisan  
10 elections shall be held and conducted as provided in Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A.,  
11 the "Georgia Election Code."

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

13 Nothing in this Act shall affect the term of office of the chief magistrate of Gwinnett County  
14 in office on the effective date of this Act. The sitting chief magistrate shall serve out the  
15 term of office for which such chief magistrate was elected and shall be eligible to succeed  
16 himself or herself as provided in this Act.

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

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

20 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 4.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.