

House Bill 965

By: Representatives Bazemore of the 63rd, Bruce of the 61st, Boddie of the 62nd, Metze of the 55th, and Jackson of the 64th

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), as amended, so as to require review of
3 ordinances by committees prior to adoption; to provide for related matters; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**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), as amended, is amended by revising subsection (b)
9 of Section 3.16 as follows:

10 "(b)(1) A new or amended ordinance may be proposed by the mayor or councilmember
11 at a regular or special meeting of the city council. Ordinances shall be considered and
12 adopted or rejected by the city council in accordance with the rules which it shall
13 establish; provided, however, an ordinance shall not be adopted until after review and
14 comment by committee as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, except for
15 emergency ordinances provided for in Section 3.18 of this charter. After adoption of any
16 ordinance, the city clerk shall, as soon as possible, forward an appropriately formatted
17 version of the adopted ordinance to that entity or agency that the city has retained to
18 facilitate the codification and online viewing and download of all city ordinances.

19 (2) Except for emergency ordinances provided for in Section 3.18 of this charter, no
20 ordinance shall be adopted until:

21 (A) The mayor appoints a committee composed of three individuals, which
22 appointments shall be made by the mayor no sooner than one business day and no later
23 than five business days after the proposal of the ordinance;

24 (B) The committee at an open public meeting discusses the ordinance and provides
25 comments regarding the ordinance to the city clerk at the end of the meeting; and

26 (C) The city clerk immediately thereafter provides the comments of the committee
27 regarding the ordinance to the mayor and councilmembers."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.