

HOUSE BILL 2143

By Dennis

AN ACT to amend Chapter 683 of the Private Acts of 1951, and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the City of Savannah.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 683 of the Private Acts of 1951, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Article VI in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

ARTICLE VI  
ORDINANCES

Section 1. That all ordinances shall begin, "Be it ordained by the City of Savannah as follows;"

Section 2. Every ordinance shall be considered and adopted on two different days in open session before its adoption, and not less than one week shall elapse between the first consideration and adoption.

All ordinances shall take effect from and after their final adoption, unless otherwise provided therein, except in case of an emergency ordinance. An emergency ordinance may take effect from the day of its final passage, provided it shall contain the statement that an emergency exists and shall specify with definiteness the facts and reasons constituting such an emergency.

The unanimous vote of all members of the Board present shall be required to pass an emergency ordinance.

No ordinance making a grant, renewal or extension of a franchise or other special privilege shall ever be passed as an emergency ordinance. No ordinance shall be amended except by a new ordinance.

Section 3. That in all cases under the preceding section, the vote shall be determined by yeas and nays; the names of the members voting for or against an ordinance shall be entered upon the Journal.

Section 4. That every ordinance shall be immediately taken charge of by the Recorder and by him numbered, copied in an ordinance book, filed and preserved in his office.

Section 5. That all ordinances or the caption of the ordinance of a penal nature shall be published at least once in a newspaper of the city, and no such ordinance shall be enforced until ten (10) days after it is so published.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) vote of the legislative body of the City of Savannah. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the City of Savannah and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.