

House Bill 1081 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Williamson of the 115<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Jersey, approved March 22, 1990  
2 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 4484), so as to change the terms of the members of the governing authority;  
3 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 Jersey, approved March 22, 1990 (Ga. L.  
7 1990, p. 4484), is amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 2.10 as follows:

8 "(b) The mayor and council members shall serve for terms of four years and until their  
9 respective successors are elected and qualified. No person shall be eligible to serve as  
10 mayor or council member unless he or she shall have been a resident of this city for 12  
11 months immediately preceding the election of mayor or council members; each such person  
12 shall continue to reside within the city during said period of service and shall be registered  
13 and qualified to vote in municipal elections of this city. No person's name shall be listed  
14 as a candidate on the ballot for election for either mayor or council member unless such  
15 person shall file a written notice with the clerk of said city that he or she desires his or her  
16 name to be placed on said ballot as a candidate either for mayor or council member. No  
17 person shall be eligible for the office of mayor or council member unless such person shall  
18 file above said notice within the time provided for in Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official  
19 Code of Georgia Annotated, the 'Georgia Election Code.'"

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

21 Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (e) of Section 2.11 as follows:

22 "(e) On the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2016, and on that day  
23 every four years thereafter, there shall be elected a mayor and four council members. The  
24 four persons receiving the greatest number of votes cast in such elections shall be elected  
25 to the four council posts. In the case of a tie for the fourth seat, there shall be a run-off

26 election. The terms of the offices shall begin at the time of taking the oath of office as  
27 provided in Section 3.11 of this charter."

28 **SECTION 3.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.