

House Bill 590 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Quick of the 117th, Frye of the 118th, and Williams of the 119th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the Downtown Athens Development Authority, approved
2 March 23, 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 3533), as amended, which authority was created pursuant
3 to an amendment to the Constitution as contained in Ga. L. 1975, p. 1698, and amended by
4 Ga. L. 1976, p. 1912, so as to define and create the Downtown Athens Area; to provide for
5 other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws;
6 and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act creating the Downtown Athens Development Authority, approved March 23, 1977
10 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 3533), as amended, which authority was created pursuant to an amendment
11 to the Constitution as contained in Ga. L. 1975, p. 1698, and amended by Ga. L. 1976, p.
12 1912), is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

13 "SECTION 2.

14 The Downtown Athens Area shall consist of that area in Athens-Clarke County, Georgia,
15 described as follows:

16 Beginning at the intersection of Reese Street and N. Finley Street, running thence north
17 on N. Finley Street to its intersection with Prince Avenue, continuing across Prince
18 Avenue, thence north on Barber Street 292 feet; running thence east on a line parallel to
19 Prince Avenue 140 feet; running thence south on a line parallel to Barber Street 74 feet;
20 running thence east to Child Street; running thence north on Child Street 463.38 feet;
21 running thence east along a line parallel to Prince Avenue 250.36 feet; running thence
22 south on a line parallel to Child Street 244 feet; running thence east on a line parallel to
23 Prince Avenue 255.42 feet to Pulaski Street; running thence south on Pulaski Street
24 316.04 feet; running thence east on a line parallel to W. Dougherty Street to the
25 intersection with N. Hull Street; running thence north along N. Hull Street to its

26 intersection with N. Lumpkin Street; running thence west along the southern boundary
27 of property now owned by Athens Community Council on Aging, Inc.; running thence
28 north along the western boundary of property now owned by Athens Community Council
29 on Aging, Inc. to its intersection with the right-of-way of CSX Transportation Inc.;
30 running thence easterly along the right-of-way of CSX Transportation, Inc. to College
31 Avenue; running thence south along College Avenue to its intersection with Ware Street;
32 running thence west along Ware Street to its dead end; running thence south 150 feet on
33 a line parallel with College Avenue; running thence east 178.1 feet on a line running
34 parallel with Ware Street; running thence north 149.8 feet to Ware Street; running thence
35 east on Ware Street to its intersection with College Avenue; running thence south along
36 College Avenue 722.04 feet; running thence east 144.01 feet on a line parallel with Hoyt
37 Street; running thence north 71.36 feet on a line running parallel to College Avenue;
38 running thence west on a line parallel to Hoyt Street to College Avenue; running thence
39 north along College Avenue to a point on the north right-of-way of CSX Transportation,
40 Inc.; running thence east along the north right-of-way of CSX Transportation, Inc.,
41 formerly known as Seaboard Cost Line Rail Road, to its intersection with Dr. Martin
42 Luther King Jr. Parkway; running thence south along Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
43 Parkway to its intersection with First Street and East Broad Street (at this point East
44 Broad Street makes a 90 degree turn to the south); continuing thence southeast on East
45 Broad Street to a point which is the northeastern corner of property owned by the Unified
46 Government of Athens-Clarke County and the northwestern corner of property owned by
47 Dorsey Tabernacle Baptist Church; running thence south along the eastern boundary of
48 property owned by the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County; continuing thence
49 southwest along the southern boundary of property of the Unified Government of
50 Athens-Clarke County and thence southeast along additional property of the Unified
51 Government of Athens-Clarke County; running thence southwest along the property of
52 the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County; running thence west across the former
53 right-of-way of the Georgia Rail Road; running thence west and then northwest along the
54 property of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County to the north bank of the
55 North Oconee River; running thence northwest along Oconee Street to its intersection
56 with Wilkerson Street; running thence northeasterly on Wilkerson Street to the former
57 right-of-way of the Georgia Rail Road, now property of the Unified Government of
58 Athens-Clarke County; running thence northwesterly along such former railroad
59 right-of-way to East Broad Street; running thence west on East Broad Street to its
60 intersection with the former right-of-way of The Central of Georgia Rail Road; running
61 thence southwest along property owned by The Mark At Athens, LLC to its intersection
62 with Oconee Street; running thence south along Oconee Street to its intersection with

63 Williams Street; running thence southwest on Williams Street to its intersection with
 64 Mitchell Street; running thence northwest along Mitchell Street to its intersection with
 65 the former right-of-way of the Central of Georgia Rail Road; thence running north along
 66 the former right-of-way of the Central of Georgia Rail Road to the southeast corner of
 67 property of James Lamar Laboon, Jr.; running thence northwest 191.4 feet on a line
 68 parallel to Oconee Street; running thence south 37.9 feet on a line parallel with S.
 69 Thomas Street; running thence southwest 160 feet to S. Thomas Street; running thence
 70 northwest along S. Thomas Street to its intersection with South Street; running thence
 71 west on South Street to its intersection with South Jackson Street; running thence north
 72 on South Jackson Street to its intersection with East Broad Street; running thence west
 73 on East Broad Street to its intersection with South Lumpkin Street; running thence south
 74 on South Lumpkin Street to its intersection with Wray Street; running thence west on
 75 Wray Street to its intersection with South Hull Street; running thence north on South Hull
 76 Street to a point where the southeast corner of property of Campus Hotel, LLC intersects
 77 with S. Hull Street; running thence along the southerly boundary of Campus Hotel, LLC
 78 west and then south and then west again to its intersection with the eastern boundary line
 79 of property owned by Athens Housing Authority; running thence south on a line parallel
 80 with S. Newton Street to the south easterly corner of property of Athens Housing
 81 Authority; running thence west and then south and then west and then south again along
 82 property of Athens Housing Authority to a point where the southeastern corner of the
 83 property of Athens Housing Authority intersects with Waddell Street; running thence
 84 west along Waddell Street to its intersection with S. Newton Street; running thence north
 85 on S. Newton Street to the southwest corner of the property of the Athens Motel
 86 Company, Inc.; running thence along the southern boundary of Athens Motel Company,
 87 Inc. property to the southwesterly most corner of the property of Athens Motel Company,
 88 Inc.; running thence north 229.02 feet on a line parallel to Newton Street; running thence
 89 40 feet west on a line parallel with W. Broad Street; running thence north 229.02 feet on
 90 a line parallel with S. Finely Street; running thence 190.5 feet west on a line parallel to
 91 Reese Street to its intersection with N. Finley Street; running thence north along N.
 92 Finley Street to the beginning point at the intersection of N. Finley Street and Reese
 93 Street."

94 **SECTION 2.**

95 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
 96 without such approval; provided, however, that the tax levies provided for in this Act shall
 97 be effective beginning January 1, 2018.

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SECTION 3.

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