

House Bill 730 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Dubnik of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Barr of the 103rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act incorporating the Town of Clermont, approved May 6, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015,
2 p. 3767), so as to provide for councilmember wards; to provide for related matters; to provide
3 an effective date; 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 incorporating the Town of Clermont, approved May 6, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 3767),
7 is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Section 3.12 as follows:

8 "(b)(1) For purposes of electing members of the town council of the Town of Clermont,
9 the town is divided into four councilmember wards which shall be and correspond to
10 those four numbered wards described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and
11 further identified as 'Plan: clermont-2015 Plan Type: local Administrator: clermont
12 User: bak'. A fifth councilmember ward shall comprise the entire territory of the town.
13 Each councilmember and mayor shall be elected at large by the voters of the entire
14 municipality. The members of the town council elected in the 2015 municipal elections
15 shall continue in office for the terms to which they were elected and until their successors
16 are elected and qualified as provided in this Act. The members of the town council
17 elected in the 2017 municipal elections shall continue in office for the terms to which
18 they were elected and until their successors are elected and qualified as provided in this
19 Act. Persons qualifying for election as councilmember in the 2019 municipal elections
20 shall reside in and qualify for Wards 1, 2, and 5, as applicable. Persons qualifying for
21 election as councilmember in the 2021 municipal election shall reside in and qualify for
22 Wards 3 and 4, as applicable. If a councilmember moves his or her residence from the
23 ward from which he or she was elected during his or her term of office, a vacancy shall
24 be created and shall be filled as provided in this charter. The mayor may reside in any
25 part of the town and will be elected in the 2021 municipal election. The mayor and each

26 councilmember shall serve terms of four years and until their successors are duly elected
27 and qualified."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 This Act shall become effective January 1, 2019.

30 **SECTION 3.**

31 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.