

House Bill 692

By: Representatives Stephenson of the 90th, Mosby of the 83rd, Bennett of the 94th, Williams of the 87th, Smith of the 125th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 31 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 incorporation of municipalities, so as to provide that no local Act granting a municipal
3 charter shall be enacted wherein any part of the proposed corporate boundary is less than a
4 distance of three miles from the corporate boundary of any existing municipal corporation
5 in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 31 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to incorporation
9 of municipalities, is amended by revising Code Section 36-31-3, relating to minimum
10 population standards for proposed municipal corporation, as follows:

11 "36-31-3.

12 (a) To be eligible for original incorporation as a municipal corporation, the minimum
13 population standards of the area embraced within the proposed municipal boundary shall
14 be as follows:

15 (1) A total resident population of at least 200 persons; and

16 (2) An average resident population of at least 200 persons per square mile for the total
17 area.

18 (b) No local Act granting a municipal charter shall be enacted wherein any part of the
19 proposed corporate boundary is less than a distance of three miles from the corporate
20 boundary of any existing municipal corporation in this state."

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

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.