

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To revise the organizational charter and enabling legislation of the Washington County Hospital Authority, to provide for the continuance of the Washington County Hospital Authority; to provide for the selection of members of the Authority; to expressly deem that such Authority shall be governed by the Hospital Authorities Law, Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia; and for other purposes.

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

Section 1

The Washington County Hospital Authority, created pursuant to a joint resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Georgia and the City of Sandersville Georgia dated _____, 19____, and authorized under the auspices of the Hospital Authorities Act of 1941, shall continue in existence.

Section 2

Members of said authority shall number no less than five (5) and no more than nine (9) and shall otherwise meet the requirements set forth in OCGA § 31-7-21 (a). This Authority having been in existence prior to March 15, 1964, and pursuant to OCGA § 31-7-71 (c), all vacancies occurring on the Washington County Hospital Authority shall be filled by action of the Washington County Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners shall designate one member to serve as Chairman.

Section 3

The Board of Commissioners of Washington County may, following notice and hearing, remove from his or her position any member of the Washington County Hospital

Authority who has been found by a majority vote of the Commissioners to have violated the conflict of interest provisions applicable to hospital authority members currently codified OCGA § 31-7-74.1, as such provisions may be amended in state law, or the member's oath of office. Vacancies created by such removal shall be filled as provided in this Act.

Section 4

Other than the methods of appointment of members to the Authority and of removal for cause as set forth herein, the Washington County Hospital Authority shall be governed fully in its actions and processes by the Hospital Authorities Law of 1964, as same is currently codified in Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia or shall be amended.