

1 HB423
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would require that a voter be
9 assigned a polling precinct located within the
10 boundary lines of the city council or school board
11 district in a Class 1 municipality that is the
12 closest to his or her residence.

13 This bill would limit the number of city
14 council or school board districts to one per
15 polling precinct.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT
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21 To amend Section 11-46-7, Code of Alabama 1975,
22 relating to municipal elections in Class 1 municipalities; to
23 further provide for the assignment of voting locations for
24 voters assigned to different precincts; and to limit city
25 council or school board districts to one per polling precinct
26 rather than limit the number of polling places per city
27 council or school board district.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

2 Section 1. Section 11-46-7 of the Code of Alabama
3 1975, is amended to read as follows:

4 "§11-46-7.

5 "(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
6 contrary, except for those citizens of Birmingham that reside
7 in Shelby County and those citizens of Birmingham that vote in
8 the general election outside the Birmingham city limits, the
9 polling places for municipal elections in any Class 1
10 municipality shall be the same as the polling places for
11 general elections.

12 "(b) The polling places in which the Class 1
13 municipal ~~election~~ elections are held shall be in compliance
14 with the requirements of the U.S. Department of Justice for
15 compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, shall
16 submit all required information to the U.S. Department of
17 Justice for pre-clearance to hold the election in time to
18 receive the appropriate approval and conduct the election at
19 the time specified by law, and shall provide all notification
20 to the voters of Birmingham regarding their assigned voting
21 locations and any special procedures to be implemented to
22 accommodate ballots for any city council district within the
23 same polling place.

24 "(c) In the event that a voter's district is changed
25 because of redistricting due to the ten-year federal census
26 requirement, his or her voting location in the precinct shall

1 be the voting location that is the closest to his or her
2 residence within the boundary of his or her new district.

3 "(d) Only one city council or school board district
4 per polling precinct shall be open for any municipal election
5 and for the election of the members of the city board of
6 education."

7 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
8 first day of the third month following its passage and
9 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.