

Legislative Update February 4, 2019

Status Code Legend

- Beneficial for Mental Health/Support
- Detrimental for Mental Health/Against
- Watching Details for Impact
- Unlikely to move/Off the table

Senate Bills

<p>SB3: Medical Assistance; program of premium assistance; health care coverage; provide</p> <p>Senator Rhett (D)</p>	<p>To amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for a program of premium assistance to enable eligible individuals to obtain health care coverage</p> <p>Referred to: Health and Human Services</p>
<p>SB 15: Keeping Georgia's Schools Safe Act:</p> <p>Senators Albers (R), Mullis, Dugan, Miller, Gooch</p>	<p>To amend Article 27 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to loitering at or disrupting schools, so as to require public and private schools to have performed certain threat assessments; to provide for definitions; to require every public and private school to prepare a school safety plan; to revise requirements for the contents of school safety plans</p> <p>Referred to: Public Safety</p>
<p>SB16: Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Act:</p> <p>Senators Kirkpatrick (R), Hufstetler, Watson, Burke, Ginn and others</p>	<p>To amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, assistants, and others, so as to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Act"; to authorize the Georgia Composite Medical Board to administer the compact in this state</p> <p>Referred to: Health and Human Services</p>
<p>SB: 34 Dangerous Instrumentalities and Practices; persons who are ineligible for weapons carry licenses</p> <p>Senators Jones, Butler, Harrell, Orrock, Seay and others</p>	<p>A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to dangerous instrumentalities and practices, so as change provisions relating to persons who are ineligible for weapons carry licenses; to amend Code Section 35-3-34 of the O.C.G.A., relating to disclosure and dissemination of criminal records to private persons and businesses, resulting responsibility and liability of issuing center, and providing certain information to the FBI in conjunction with the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, so as to change provisions relating to the retention of certain information; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.</p> <p>Referred to: Judiciary</p>
<p>SB 36: Medical Assistance; authorization of appropriations for purposes of obtaining federal financial participation; Medicaid expansion</p> <p>Senators Senators Henson, Jones II, Butler, Harrell, Seay and others</p>	<p>A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for the authorization of appropriations for the purposes of obtaining federal financial participation for medical assistance payments to providers of Medicaid expansion under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; to provide for certain restrictions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.</p> <p>Referred to: Health and Human Services</p>

House Bills

<p>HB 26: Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact:</p> <p>Representatives Belton (R), Hitchens, Williams (D), Blackmon, Glanton, and others</p>	<p>A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 39 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to psychologists, so as to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact"; to authorize the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to administer the compact in this state; to revise provisions relating to exceptions to licensure; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.</p> <p>Status: HC: Interstate Cooperation</p> <p>Referred to: Interstate Cooperation</p>
<p>HB: 32 Chief Turnaround Officer; revise and clarify certain provisions</p> <p>Representatives Tanner, Dickey, Jasperse, Glanton, Nix and others</p>	<p>A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3A of Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to turnaround schools, so as to revise and clarify certain provisions relating to the duties of the Chief Turnaround Officer; to revise the term "turnaround coach" to "transformation specialist"; to revise biannual reporting dates; to provide for the establishment of the Georgia Turnaround Collaborative; to provide for stipends for turnaround instructional innovation specialists; to provide for criteria; to provide for retention of stipend; to provide for conversion of stipend to permanent salary increase; to provide for contingency based on appropriations by the General Assembly; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.</p> <p>Referred to: Education</p>
<p>HB 37: Expand Medicaid Now Act</p> <p>Representatives Trammell, Boddie, Beverly, Alexander, Gardner, and others</p>	<p>A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for the authorization of appropriations for the purposes of obtaining federal financial participation for medical assistance payments to providers of Medicaid expansion under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; to provide for a maximum percent of the federal poverty level; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.</p> <p>Referred to: Appropriations</p>

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