

House Bill 1219

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 43 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 medicare supplemental insurance, so as to provide that insurers who offer medicare  
3 supplemental insurance policies in this state shall make available certain policies to persons  
4 under the age of 65 who, as a result of a disability, qualify for medicare under certain  
5 circumstances and conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to  
6 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

9 Chapter 43 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medicare  
10 supplemental insurance, is amended by adding a new Code Section 33-43-3.1 to read as  
11 follows:

12 "33-43-3.1.

13 (a) All issuers that deliver or issue for delivery in this state medicare supplemental policies  
14 shall make available to persons under the age of 65 years, who, due to a disability, are  
15 eligible for medicare, at least medicare supplemental policy plans B and I as such plans are  
16 presently or may hereafter be defined by the Commissioner of Insurance by rule or  
17 regulation.

18 (b) Such medicare supplemental policies shall be issued on the same terms and under the  
19 same conditions as medicare supplemental policies issued to persons who are 65 years of  
20 age or older.

21 (c) Issuers may elect to offer other medicare supplemental policy plans to persons under  
22 65 years of age who are eligible for medicare as a result of a disability in addition to the  
23 plans specified in this Code section.

24 (d) Nothing contained in subsection (a) of this Code section shall require an issuer to offer  
25 a medicare supplemental policy to persons under 65 years of age who are eligible for

1 medicare as a result of a disability if the issuer does not offer such policy to persons who  
2 are 65 years of age or older."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.