

House Bill 1599

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 43rd, Cooper of the 31st and Kaye of the 37th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 control of hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, so as to
3 require the Department of Human Resources to prepare information about bacterial
4 meningitis and to make such information available to all secondary and postsecondary
5 schools in this state; to require all secondary and postsecondary schools to provide
6 information about bacterial meningitis to all enrolled secondary and postsecondary students
7 and their parents or guardians; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and
8 for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of
12 hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, is amended by adding
13 Code Section 31-12-3.2 to read as follows:

14 "31-12-3.2.

15 The department shall prepare information about bacterial meningitis which shall include
16 the symptoms of the disease, the risks of contracting the disease, and the availability of a
17 vaccine to prevent the disease. The department shall make such information available to
18 every secondary and postsecondary school which shall be required to provide a written
19 copy of such information to every student and his or her parents or guardians."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.