

Senate Bill 519

By: Senator Ragan of the 11th

AS PASSED SENATE

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to the state employees' health insurance plan, so as to authorize the Board of
3 Community Health to contract with any agricultural commodity commission created pursuant
4 to Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated to provide for the inclusion
5 in such plan of any such commission's employees and retiring employees and their spouses
6 and dependents; to provide for terms and conditions of such coverage and inclusion; to repeal
7 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
11 state employees' health insurance plan, is amended by adding, following Code Section
12 45-18-7.7, a new Code Section 45-18-7.8 to read as follows:

13 "45-18-7.8.

14 The board is authorized to contract with any agricultural commodity commission created
15 pursuant to Chapter 8 of Title 2 for the inclusion in any health insurance plan or plans
16 established under this article of the employees and retiring employees of any such
17 commodity commission and their spouses and dependent children, as defined by the
18 regulations of the board. It shall be the duty of the agricultural commodity commission to
19 deduct from the salary or other remuneration or otherwise to collect such payment from its
20 qualified employees, retired employees, or dependents as may be required under the
21 board's regulations. In addition, it shall be the duty of the agricultural commodity
22 commission to make the employer contributions required for the operation of such plan or
23 plans."

24 **SECTION 2.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.