

Senate Bill 472

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Thomas of the 10th and Thomas of the 54th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 3 of Article 16 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to student health, so as to provide for self-administration of asthma
3 medication by students; to provide an exemption from liability related thereto; to provide a
4 short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Kellen Edwin Bolden Act."

8 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

9 Part 3 of Article 16 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
10 relating to student health, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

11 "20-2-774.

12 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

13 (1) 'Medication' means a medicine prescribed by

14 (A) A physician licensed under Chapter 34 of Title 43; or

15 (B) A physician's assistant licensed under Chapter 34 of Title 43 who is authorized to
16 prescribe medicine for the treatment of asthma in accordance with said chapter.

17 (2) 'Self-administration of asthma medication' means a student's discretionary use of
18 asthma medication prescribed for him or her.

19 (b) Each local board of education shall adopt a policy authorizing the self-administration
20 of asthma medication by a student who has asthma, provided that any student who is
21 authorized for self-administration of asthma medication under such policy may possess
22 and use his or her asthma medication:

23 (1) While in school;

24 (2) At a school sponsored activity;

25 (3) While under the supervision of school personnel; or

