

Senator Seabaugh of the 28th offered the following amendment:

1 Amend HB 1077 by inserting after the word "amend" on line 1 of page 1 the following:

2 "Code Section 45-18-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to design of
3 plan, so as to provide for an employee benefit plan; to amend" and by inserting between
4 lines 6 and 7 of page 1 the following:

5 **"SECTION A.**

6 Code Section 45-18-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to design of plan,
7 is amended by adding a new paragraph (3) to read as follows:

8 '(3) Provide a health benefit plan option for certain state employees utilizing free choice
9 of providers and up to 100 percent reimbursement of certain expenses; establish fee for
10 service amounts to be paid to providers for professional services and for hospital room and
11 board and hospital nursery expenses using national and other available data bases; offer a
12 plan that may have annual deductibles; offer differential premium contributions and
13 out-of-pocket amounts for employees; provide employees with access to information
14 regarding reimbursable amounts for services to help them compare service providers; and
15 offer effective January 1, 2003, to all employees hired on or after January 1, 2003, and to
16 all other state employees, effective July 1, 2003, a plan that encourages employees to
17 efficiently manage their health benefits by allowing unused benefit dollars to be rolled over
18 and used in subsequent years."