

House Bill 77

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 31-22-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 applicability of the clinical laboratory licensing requirements, so as to clarify an exemption
3 regarding capillary blood tests; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

6 Code Section 31-22-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to applicability of
7 the clinical laboratory licensing requirements, is amended by striking subsection (b) thereof
8 and inserting in its place a new subsection to read as follows:

9 "(b) This chapter shall not apply to pharmacists licensed pursuant to Chapter 4 of Title 26
10 practicing in accordance with the provisions thereof who are performing capillary blood
11 tests and interpreting the results as a means to screen for or monitor disease risk factors and
12 facilitate patient education as authorized in Code Section 26-4-4, so long as such capillary
13 blood tests are available to and for use by the public without licensure of the user of the
14 test, but such tests shall not be restricted to capillary blood tests which are only available:

15 (1) For home use; or

16 (2) Over the counter without prescription."

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

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.