

House Bill 594

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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 provide that the Board of
3 Community Health is authorized to contract with the community service boards for the
4 inclusion in such plan of any person who retires as an employee of a community service
5 board with at least ten years of actual service and after attaining the age of 60 years; to
6 provide for employer and employee contributions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
7 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 inserting immediately following Code
12 Section 45-18-7.7 a new Code section to read as follows:

13 "45-18-7.8.

14 The board is authorized to contract with the community service boards created by Chapter
15 2 of Title 37 for the inclusion of employees who retire on or after July 1, 2003, with at least
16 ten years of actual service to a community service board after having attained the age of
17 60 years and the spouses and dependent children of such employees, as defined by the
18 regulations of the board, in any health insurance plan or plans established under this article.

19 It shall be the duty of each community service board to collect such payment from its
20 qualified retired employees or dependents as may be required under the board's
21 regulations. In addition, it shall be the duty of the Georgia Housing and Finance Authority
22 to make the employer contributions required for the operation of such plan or plans;
23 provided, however, that each community service board shall be liable for the entire amount
24 due without regard to whether it has received the employee's share."

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SECTION 2.

- 2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.