

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 1B of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 patient self-referral, so as to repeal Code Section 43-1B-7, relating to the exception for
3 physicians treating workers' compensation claimants; to provide for related matters; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 1B of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to patient
8 self-referral, is amended by striking Code Section 43-1B-7, relating to the exception for
9 physicians treating workers' compensation claimants, and inserting in lieu thereof the
10 following:

11 "43-1B-7.

12 ~~Except for purposes of disclosure, as described in Code Section 43-1B-5, the provisions~~
13 ~~of this chapter shall not apply to referrals from a physician listed on a valid panel of~~
14 ~~physicians treating the claimant pursuant to Chapter 9 of Title 34, relating to workers'~~
15 ~~compensation, or the rules of the State Board of Workers' Compensation. Reserved.~~"

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.