

House Bill 1105

By: Representatives Sheldon of the 105th, Cooper of the 41st, Rynders of the 152nd, Carter of the 159th, and Channell of the 116th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to require hospitals to offer
3 certain vaccinations to inpatients aged 65 years or older; to provide for related matters; to
4 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 Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 regulation of hospitals and related institutions, is amended by adding a new Code section to
9 read as follows:

10 "31-7-17.

11 Annually between October 1 through March 1, prior to discharging any inpatient who is
12 65 years of age or older, a hospital shall offer the inpatient vaccinations for the influenza
13 virus and pneumococcal disease, unless contraindicated and contingent on availability of
14 such vaccine, in accordance with any applicable rules and regulations of the department."

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

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.