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Senate Bill 337

By: Senators Goggans of the 7th, Unterman of the 45th, Cowsert of the 46th and Williams of the 19th

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 insurance generally, so as to provide for limitations on licensure requirements for certain
- 3 health care providers; to prohibit the conditioning of certain licensing for health care
- 4 providers on the participation in health insurance plans and other activities; to provide for
- 5 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance
- 9 generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
- 10 <u>"33-1-22.</u>
- 11 (a) State licensure requirements for physicians and dentists in this state shall be granted
- 12 <u>based on demonstrated skill and academic competence</u>. Licensure approval for physicians
- and dentists in this state shall not be conditioned upon or related to participation in any
- public or private health insurance plan, public health care system, public service initiative,
- or emergency room coverage.
- 16 (b) The Georgia Composite Medical Board and the Georgia Board of Dentistry shall be
- solely responsible for the licensure of physicians and dentists, respectively, in this state."

18 SECTION 2.

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.