

The House Committee on Insurance offers the following substitute to HB 986:

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 general provisions of insurance, so as to provide that in the event of a dispute or complaint  
3 arising involving material not in English, the English version of the material shall control the  
4 resolution of the dispute or complaint; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting  
5 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 general  
9 provisions of insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

10 "33-1-22.

11 In the event of a dispute or complaint wherein an insurer provided any material in a  
12 language other than English, the English language version of the policy as that term is  
13 defined in paragraph (1) of Code Section 33-24-1 shall control the resolution of such  
14 dispute or complaint; provided, however, that nothing contained in this Code section shall  
15 abrogate or supercede the provisions set forth in Chapter 6 of Title 33, relating to unfair  
16 trade practices."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.