

House Bill 611

By: Representatives Hugley of the 136th and Randall of the 142nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to general provisions relating to health, so as to require certain notice in a
3 mammogram report to patients with dense breast tissue; 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 1 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 general provisions relating to health, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as
9 follows:

10 "31-1-14.

11 A health care facility at which a mammography examination is performed shall, if a patient
12 is categorized by the facility as having heterogeneously dense breasts or extremely dense
13 breasts, based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the
14 American College of Radiology, include in the summary of the written report that is sent
15 to the patient, as required by federal law, the following notice:

16 'Your mammogram shows that your breast tissue is dense. Dense breast tissue is very
17 common and is not abnormal. However, dense breast tissue can make it harder to find
18 cancer on a mammogram and may also be associated with an increased risk of breast
19 cancer.

20 This information about the result of your mammogram is given to you to raise your
21 awareness. Use this information to talk to your doctor about whether more screening
22 tests might be useful, based on your risk. A report of your results was sent to your
23 physician.'

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

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.