

House Bill 409

By: Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Sims of the 123rd, Harbin of the 122nd, Cooper of the 43rd, and Carter of the 175th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 insurance general provisions, so as to provide reimbursement for the treatment of burns for
3 skin substitutes utilizing cadaver derived skin tissue or nonhuman xenographic derived skin
4 tissue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance
8 general provisions, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

9 "33-24-59.18.

10 No health benefit policy issued, delivered, or renewed in this state that, as a provision of
11 hospital, medical, or surgical services, directly or indirectly covers the treatment and
12 management of burns shall limit or exclude coverage for treatment on the basis that such
13 treatment is utilizing cadaver or nonhuman xenographic derived skin tissue."

14 **SECTION 2.**

15 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.