

House Bill 1000

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to state employees' health insurance plan, so as to provide for an annual independent  
3 audit of pharmacy benefits managers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting  
4 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 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
8 state employees' health insurance plan, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as  
9 follows:

10 "45-18-6.1.

11 (a) The board shall annually provide for an independent entity to perform an audit of the  
12 claims processing of the pharmacy benefits manager or managers contracted with by the  
13 board to provide pharmacy claims processing for the state health insurance plan established  
14 pursuant to this part.

15 (b) Notwithstanding Code Section 45-18-19, a pharmacy benefits manager with which the  
16 board has contracted shall make all claim forms and other records available to such  
17 independent entity for purposes of performing an audit pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
18 Code section.

19 (c) Any pharmacy benefits manager that violates subsection (b) of this Code section shall  
20 not be eligible to contract with the board to provide pharmacy claims processing for the  
21 state health insurance plan established pursuant to this part."

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

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.