

Senate Bill 14

By: Senators Burke of the 11th, Hill of the 6th, Harper of the 7th, Sims of the 12th, Tillery of the 19th and others

**AS PASSED SENATE**

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to  
3 clarify the amount of an exemption for certain entities under the contributions to rural  
4 hospitals income tax credit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date;  
5 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
9 imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, is amended by  
10 revising subsection (b) of Code Section 48-7-29.20, relating to tax credits for contributions  
11 to rural hospital organizations, as follows:

12 "(b) An individual taxpayer shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by this  
13 chapter for qualified rural hospital organization expenses as follows:

14 (1) In the case of a single individual or a head of household, 70 percent of the actual  
15 amount expended or \$2,500.00 per tax year, whichever is less; ~~or~~

16 (2) In the case of a married couple filing a joint return, 70 percent of the actual amount  
17 expended or \$5,000.00 per tax year, whichever is less; or

18 (3) Anything to the contrary contained in paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection  
19 notwithstanding, in the case of an individual who is a member of a limited liability  
20 company duly formed under state law, a shareholder of a Subchapter 'S' corporation, or  
21 a partner in a partnership, 70 percent of the actual amount expended or \$10,000.00 per  
22 tax year, whichever is less; provided, however, that tax credits pursuant to this paragraph  
23 shall only be allowed for the portion of the income on which such tax was actually paid  
24 by such member of the limited liability company, shareholder of a Subchapter 'S'  
25 corporation, or partner in a partnership."

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2017.

28 **SECTION 3.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.