

Senators Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Mullis of the 53rd, Stone of the 23rd, Henson of the 41st, Robertson of the 29th and others offered the following amendment:

ADOPTED SENATE

1 *Amend HB 246 (LC 41 1701) by replacing line 4 with the following:*

2 depositions shall be taken and filed; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of
3 Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to require
4 insurers licensed or regulated under the laws of this state to make and have certain agents and
5 employees available within this state for certain depositions; to provide for related matters;
6 to repeal conflicting laws;

7 *By inserting between lines 41 and 42 the following:*

8 Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
9 provisions regarding insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

10 "33-1-26.

11 For every deposition noticed pursuant to Code Section 9-11-30 involving an agent or
12 employee of an insurer licensed or regulated under this title and such agent or employee
13 has charge over investigating or handling a claim under the contract of insurance that is at
14 issue, such insurer shall make and have such agent or employee available within this state
15 for such deposition pursuant to such notice."

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SECTION 4.