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House Bill 1114

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for Medicaid coverage for lactation
- 3 care and services and postpartum care; to provide for submission of a state plan amendment
- 4 or waiver, if necessary; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
- 5 other purposes.

## 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 9 medical assistance generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
- 10 "<u>49-4-159.</u>
- 11 (a) The department shall provide Medicaid coverage for:
- 12 (1) Lactation care and services, as defined in paragraph (5) of Code Section 43-22A-3,
- to pregnant and lactating women and to children who are breastfeeding or receiving their
- 14 mother's milk; and
- 15 (2) Postpartum care for mothers for a period of six months following the date the woman
- 16 gives birth.
- 17 (b) If necessary to implement the provisions of this Code section, the department shall
- 18 <u>submit a Medicaid state plan amendment or waiver request to the United States Department</u>
- 19 <u>of Health and Human Services.</u>"

SECTION 2.

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.