

**ADOPTED**

Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Martin of the 9th offered the following amendment:

*Amend HB 752 (LC 41 2339S) by inserting after "psychologist;" on line 4 the following:*

to revise provisions relating to criminal background checks for physicians and certain other health care professionals;

*By inserting between lines 53 and 54 the following:*

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 43-34-13, relating to fingerprinting and criminal background checks for health care professionals licensed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, as follows:

"43-34-13.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Expedited physician licensee' means an individual licensed by the board.

(2) 'health Health care professional' means any individual licensed, certified, or permitted by the board under this chapter.

(b) Any applicant as a health care professional or as an expedited physician licensee shall have satisfactory results from a fingerprint records check report conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as determined by the board. Application for a license, certificate, or permit under this chapter shall constitute express consent and authorization for the board or its representative to perform a criminal background check. Each applicant who submits an application to the board for licensure, certification, or permit agrees to provide the board with any and all information necessary to run a criminal background check, including, but not limited to, classifiable sets of fingerprints. The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of such criminal background check."

*By redesignating Sections 4 and 5 as Sections 5 and 6, respectively.*