

House Bill 630

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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 the authorization of  
3 appropriations for the purposes of obtaining federal financial participation for medical  
4 assistance payments to providers of Medicaid expansion under the federal Patient Protection  
5 and Affordable Care Act and federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010;  
6 to require certain action; to provide for certain restrictions; to provide for related matters; to  
7 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
11 medical assistance generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

12 "49-4-159.1.

13 (a) Appropriations shall be authorized for the purposes of obtaining federal financial  
14 participation for medical assistance payments to providers on behalf of Medicaid recipients  
15 pursuant to this article and funding the state's portion of the cost to expand the Medicaid  
16 program under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law

17 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of  
18 2010 (Public Law 111-152), and any regulations or guidelines issued under such acts.  
19 (b) The Governor shall take or direct the appropriate state official or agency to take all  
20 necessary steps to expand the Medicaid program under the federal Patient Protection and  
21 Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care and  
22 Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-152), including the submission of  
23 any amendment to the state plan to effectuate such expansion."

24 **SECTION 2.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.