

House Bill 1435

By: Representatives Jackson of the 161st, Watson of the 91st, Stephens of the 164th, Stephenson of the 92nd, and Mitchell of the 88th

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 require the Department of Community
3 Health to contract with a single administrator for dental services; to provide for applicability;
4 to provide for an amendment to the state plan if necessary; to provide for related matters; to
5 repeal conflicting laws; and for 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 "49-4-158.

11 (a) The department shall contract with a single administrator for dental services for
12 recipients of medical assistance pursuant to this article and shall ensure that all care
13 management organizations which provide or arrange for the provision of health care
14 services for such recipients contract with such single administrator for dental services.
15 This subsection shall apply to any contract entered into or renewed by the department with
16 a care management organization on or after July 1, 2008.

17 (b) The department shall submit any necessary modifications, if applicable, to the state
18 plan for medical assistance filed pursuant to Code Section 49-4-142 in order to fulfill the
19 requirements of this Code section."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.