

The House Committee on Health and Human Services offers the following substitute to HB 288:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 37-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 Behavioral Health Coordinating Council, membership, meetings and obligations, so as to
3 provide for two additional members to serve on the behavioral health coordinating council;
4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 37-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Behavioral
8 Health Coordinating Council, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

9 "(a) There is created the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council. The council shall
10 consist of the commissioner of behavioral health and developmental disabilities; the
11 commissioner of community health; the commissioner of public health; the commissioner
12 of human services; the commissioner of juvenile justice; the commissioner of corrections;
13 the commissioner of community affairs; the Commissioner of Labor; the State School
14 Superintendent; the chairperson of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; two members,
15 appointed by the Governor; the ombudsman appointed pursuant to Code Section 37-2-32;
16 an adult consumer of public behavioral health services, appointed by the Governor; a
17 family member of a consumer of public behavioral health services, appointed by the
18 Governor; a parent of a child receiving public behavioral health services, appointed by the
19 Governor; a member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the
20 House of Representatives; and a member of the Senate, appointed by the Lieutenant
21 Governor."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.