

The House Committee on Insurance offers the following substitute to HB 373:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to require major medical coverage  
3 for annual prostate cancer screenings for certain men; to provide for definitions; to provide  
4 for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting  
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
9 general provisions regarding insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as  
10 follows:

11 "33-24-59.34.

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

13 (1) 'Health benefit policy' means any individual or group plan, policy, or contract for  
14 healthcare services issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state which  
15 provides major medical benefits by a healthcare corporation, health maintenance  
16 organization, preferred provider organization, accident and sickness insurer, fraternal

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17 benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, or other insurer  
18 or similar entity.

19 (2) 'Men with a family history of prostate cancer' means men who have a first-degree  
20 relative:

21 (A) Who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer;

22 (B) Who developed prostate cancer;

23 (C) Whose death was a result of prostate cancer;

24 (D) Who has been diagnosed with a cancer known to be associated with an increased  
25 risk of prostate cancer; or

26 (E) Who has a genetic alteration known to be associated with an increased risk of  
27 prostate cancer.

28 (3) 'Men with a high risk for prostate cancer' means:

29 (A) Men with a family history of prostate cancer who are 40 to 49 years of age;

30 (B) Men who are 50 years of age and older; and

31 (C) Other men, as may be determined by a physician.

32 (b) A health benefit policy shall provide coverage for annual prostate cancer screenings  
33 for men with a high risk for prostate cancer. Such coverage shall include a digital rectal  
34 examination and a prostate-specific antigen test."

35 **SECTION 2.**

36 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
37 without such approval and shall apply to all applicable insurance policies issued, delivered,  
38 issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2026.

39 **SECTION 3.**

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