

House Bill 1096

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 2A of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to general provisions relative to the Department of Public Health, so as to provide  
3 that if certain employees of a county board of health become employees of such department  
4 such employees will retain accrued annual and sick leave; to authorize rules and regulations;  
5 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 1 of Chapter 2A of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
9 general provisions relative to the Department of Public Health, is amended by adding a new  
10 Code section to read as follows:

11 "31-2A-3.1.

12 (a) Any employee of a county board of health who is a member of the retirement system  
13 provided for in Chapter 2 of Title 47, who is considered a state employee only for the  
14 purpose of membership in such retirement system, and who becomes an employee of the  
15 department, with no break between such positions of employment, shall retain accrued

16 annual and sick leave possessed by such employee. No employee shall be paid accrued  
17 leave by the county board of health when transitioning to state employment.  
18 (b) The State Personnel Board is authorized to promulgate, amend, or repeal rules and  
19 regulations for the implementation of this Code section."

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**SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.