

House Bill 1114 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, England of the 116th, Burns of the 159th, Dempsey of the 13th, and others

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 Medicaid coverage for lactation
3 care and services and postpartum care; to provide for submission of a state plan amendment
4 or waiver, if necessary; to provide for related matters; to provide for contingent effectiveness;
5 to 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 "49-4-159.

11 (a) The department shall provide Medicaid coverage for:

12 (1) Lactation care and services, as defined in paragraph (5) of Code Section 43-22A-3,
13 to pregnant and lactating women and to children who are breastfeeding or receiving their
14 mother's milk; and

15 (2) Postpartum care for mothers for a period of six months following the date the woman
16 gives birth.

17 (b) If necessary to implement the provisions of this Code section, the department shall
18 submit a Medicaid state plan amendment or waiver request to the United States Department
19 of Health and Human Services."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 This Act shall become effective only upon the effective date of a specific appropriation of
22 funds for purposes of this Act, as expressed in a line item making specific reference to such
23 Act in a General Appropriations Act enacted by the General Assembly.

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SECTION 3.

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.