House Bill 101

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state employees' health insurance plan, so as to provide for an annual public report on the amount of prescription drug rebates and other price concessions applied to premium reductions for state health plan participants; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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SECTION 1.

8 Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
9 relating to the state employees' health insurance plan, is amended by adding a new Code
10 section to read as follows:

- 11 <u>"45-18-6.2.</u>
- 12 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:
- 13 (1) 'Contracted entity' means any corporation licensed to transact accident and health
- 14 <u>insurance business in this state, healthcare corporation, professional claim administrator,</u>
- 15 independent adjusting firm, health maintenance organization, licensed pharmacy benefits
- 16 manager, or any other entity that enters into a contract with the board to provide

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17	healthcare coverage or services pursuant to a state health plan, including, but not limited
18	to, medical benefits, pharmacy benefits, and well-being incentives and programs.
19	(2) 'Prescription drug rebates and other price concessions' means all remuneration
20	received by or on behalf of the state health plan, including remuneration received by or
21	on behalf of any contracted entity, that decrease the costs of a prescription drug covered
22	by the state health plan, regardless of from whom the remuneration is received. Such
23	term includes discounts, charge-backs or rebates, cash discounts, free goods contingent
24	on a purchase agreement, up-front payments, coupons, goods in kind, free or reduced
25	price services, grants, or other price concessions or similar benefits to the extent that the
26	value of these items reduce costs for the state health plan. Such term excludes any
27	remuneration, coupons, or price concessions for which the full value is passed on to the
28	state health plan participants, or bona fide service fees, such as fees paid by a drug
29	manufacturer to any contracted entity that represent fair market value for a bona fide,
30	itemized service actually performed on behalf of such drug manufacturer that such drug
31	manufacturer would otherwise perform or contract for in the absence of the service
32	arrangement and that are not passed on in whole or in part to a client or customer of such
33	entity.
34	(3) 'State health plan' means:
35	(A) The state employees' health insurance plan established pursuant to Article 1 of
36	Chapter 18 of Title 45;
37	(B) The health insurance plan for public school teachers established pursuant to
38	Subpart 2 of Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20;
39	(C) The health insurance plan for public school employees established pursuant to
40	Subpart 3 of Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20; and
41	(D) The health benefits plan established for members, employees, and retirees of the
42	Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia pursuant to Code
43	Sections 20-3-31, 20-3-51, and 31-2-4.

49	SECTION 2.
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47	participants. Such annual report shall be published and maintained on the department's
46	in dollars and by percentage, applied to premium reductions for state health plan
45	report on the amount of prescription drug rebates and other price concessions, measured
44	(b) Beginning July 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the board shall prepare an annual

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