

*Section 35 Sub 134*

offers the following amendment:

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Amend the LC 25 6403S substitute to SB 98 by striking all matter from line 1 through line 43 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to provide definitions; to prohibit coverage of certain abortions through certain qualified health plans; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for a right of intervention in certain lawsuits; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public employees' insurance and benefit plans, so as to change certain provisions relating to expenses not to be covered by the state health benefit plan; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

#### SECTION 1.

Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-24-59.17.

(a) No abortion coverage shall be provided by a qualified health plan offered within the State of Georgia through a state law, a federal law, or regulation or exchange created by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-152), and regulations or guidance issued under those acts, except in the case of medical emergency.

(b) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'abortion' has the same meaning as provided in Code Section 31-9A-2.

(c) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'medical emergency' has the same meaning as provided in Code Section 31-9A-2.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed as creating or recognizing a right to an abortion.

(e) It is not the intention of this Code section to make lawful an abortion that is currently unlawful."