

House Bill 1001

By: Representatives Smith of the 18th, Gunter of the 8th, and Scoggins of the 14th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 33-35-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 definitions for prepaid legal services plans regulated under insurance, so as to revise the
3 definition of prepaid legal services plan; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 33-35-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions for
8 prepaid legal services plans, is amended by revising subsection (4) as follows:

9 "(4) 'Prepaid legal services plan' or 'plan' means ~~any arrangement whereby responsibility~~
10 ~~is undertaken to provide, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any part of the cost of any~~
11 ~~legal services for a consideration consisting in part of prepaid or periodic charges or dues~~
12 a contractual obligation to pay or reimburse for specific legal services or for specific legal
13 expenses, in consideration of a specified payment for an interval of time, regardless of
14 whether the payment is made by the beneficiaries individually or by a third person for
15 them, but does not include the provision of, or reimbursement for, legal services
16 incidental to other insurance coverages. The payment of only an administrative fee to an

17 attorney shall not be considered payment or reimbursement for specific legal services or
18 specific legal expenses for the purpose of this definition."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2022.

21 **SECTION 3.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.