

House Bill 239

By: Representatives Hutchinson of the 107th, Allen of the 40th, Schofield of the 60th, Beverly of the 143rd, Mitchell of the 106th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to general provisions relating to the governing and regulation of mental health, so
3 as to provide that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
4 conduct or coordinate all audits of behavioral health providers; to provide for related matters;
5 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 1 of Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
9 general provisions relating to the governing and regulation of mental health, is amended by
10 adding a new Code section to read as follows:

11 "37-1-7.

12 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall conduct or directly
13 coordinate all audits of behavioral health providers to prevent duplication with other
14 agencies."

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SECTION 2.

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.