

Senate Bill 324

By: Senators Jordan of the 6th, Butler of the 55th, Williams of the 39th, Anderson of the 43rd and Seay of the 34th

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 Medicaid coverage for pregnant
3 women for a period of not less than 12 months; to provide for submission of a state plan
4 amendment if necessary; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
5 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 medical assistance under this article to pregnant women
12 eligible for such medical assistance for a period of not less than 12 months following the
13 date the woman gives birth or experiences an involuntary miscarriage.

14 (b) The department shall submit a Medicaid state plan amendment, if necessary to
15 implement the provisions of this Code section, to the United States Department of Health
16 and Human Services."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.