

Senate Bill 325

By: Senators Rahman of the 5th, Goodman of the 8th, Anderson of the 43rd, Halpern of the 39th and Orrock of the 36th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 29 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 dispensing opticians, so as to exempt from licensure an employee of a licensed physician or
3 optometrist who is under the direct or real-time supervision of a licensed optician; to provide
4 for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
5 purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

8 Chapter 29 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dispensing
9 opticians, is amended in Code Section 43-29-18, relating to construction of chapter, by
10 revising subsection (f) as follows:

11 "(f) Nothing contained in this chapter shall be construed to require an employee of a
12 licensed physician or a licensed optometrist to secure a license under this chapter or be
13 otherwise subject to this chapter, so long as such employee is working exclusively for and
14 under the direct supervision of such licensed physician or optometrist or the direct or
15 real-time supervision of a licensed optician and does not hold himself or herself out to the
16 public generally as a dispensing optician."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
19 without such approval.

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.