

Senate Bill 340

By: Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Watson of the 1st, Burke of the 11th, Dugan of the 30th, Au of the 48th and others

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 31-7-95 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 funding of medical education provided by hospital authorities and designated teaching
3 hospitals, so as to revise definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
4 and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 31-7-95 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funding of
8 medical education provided by hospital authorities and designated teaching hospitals, is
9 amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

10 "(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

11 (1) 'Designated teaching hospital' means a teaching hospital operated by other than a
12 hospital authority, which hospital agrees to contract with the state to offer or continue to
13 offer a residency program approved by the ~~American Medical Association~~ Accreditation
14 Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), which program has at least 50
15 residents one ACGME accredited residency program, excluding any stand-alone
16 fellowship program, and which hospital operates a 24 hour, seven-day-per-week

17 emergency room open to the public and which hospital files a semiannual statistical
18 report consistent with those filed by other state funded tertiary, neonatal, obstetrical
19 centers with the Department of Community Health.

20 (2) 'Hospital authority' means a hospital authority operating a teaching hospital which
21 offers a residency program approved by the ~~American Medical Association~~ Accreditation
22 Council for Graduate Medical Education.

23 (3) 'Resident' means a physician receiving medical education and training through a
24 teaching hospital operated by a hospital authority or designated teaching hospital."

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SECTION 2.

26 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.