

House Bill 1153 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Rhodes of the 120th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide that certain officials of Greene County who have served at
2 least 15 years in office may, upon leaving, continue to participate in the county health
3 insurance program for themselves and their dependents by paying the total cost of such
4 participation, approved May 16, 2007 (Ga. L. 2007, p. 3664), as amended, particularly by an
5 Act approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3654), so as to clarify the qualifications for
6 participation in such health insurance program; to clarify who is covered under such
7 provision; to provide limits on coverages offered; to provide for related matters; to repeal
8 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 SECTION 1.

11 An Act to provide that certain officials of Greene County who have served at least 15 years
12 in office may, upon leaving, continue to participate in the county health insurance program
13 for themselves and their dependents by paying the total cost of such participation, approved
14 May 16, 2007 (Ga. L. 2007, p. 3664), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
15 April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3654), is amended by revising Section 1 of the Act as
16 follows:

17 "SECTION 1.

18 Members of the Board of Commissioners of Greene County, the Clerk of the Superior
19 Court of Greene County, the Judge of the Probate Court of Greene County, the Sheriff of
20 Greene County, the Tax Commissioner of Greene County, and all full-time employees of
21 Greene County shall be entitled after leaving office or employment to participate in and be
22 covered by the health insurance plan provided by the county for county officers and
23 employees, provided that such officer or employee shall have served at least 15 years in
24 office or employment; provided, further, that he or she pays the total costs of such
25 participation, including both the employee and employer premiums associated with such

26 participation; and provided, further, that he or she was not separated from service with the
27 county due to his or her commission of an illegal act that caused his or her separation.
28 Such coverage shall extend to such officer or employee only, specifically shall exclude any
29 spousal and dependent coverage, and shall only be extended until such officer or employee
30 is eligible for Medicare insurance coverage regardless of whether or not he or she accepts
31 coverage through Medicare. Such coverage shall only include health insurance and
32 specifically shall exclude any other voluntary insurance products that may be available to
33 employees of Greene County."

34 **SECTION 2.**

35 All laws and part of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.