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[Legislative Alert- March 31, 2008](#)  
[Please Oppose House Bill 977](#)

The Georgia General Assembly is considering legislation that would give \$146 million in tax breaks to big insurance companies to promote the sale of high deductible health insurance plans. These plans, which require families to pay at least \$2,200 a year out of pocket, and often much more, before receiving even basic medical care, would do little if anything to provide affordable health insurance to Georgians.

With more than 1.7 million Georgians without health insurance and with our state facing a slowing economy, HB 977 is a poor use of state tax dollars that will help very few people find adequate and affordable insurance coverage. The same amount of state dollars invested in PeachCare for Kids would bring in Federal matching money that would cover nearly 100,000 additional kids in Georgia.

Your help is needed today! HB 977 has passed through the Georgia House and is in a Senate Committee for a vote tomorrow morning at 9AM. Please contact these committee members and your State Senator today and ask him or her to oppose HB 977.

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