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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to opticianry; amending s.
484.013, F.S.; authorizing an optician to
determine the refractive powers of the human
eyes under the direct supervision of a licensed
ophthalmologist; providing a penalty; providing
an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 484.013, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

484.013 Violations and penalties.--

(3)(a) It is unlawful for any optician to engage in
the diagnosis of the human eyes, attempt to determine the
refractive powers of the human eyes except as provided in
paragraph (b), or, in any manner, attempt to prescribe for or
treat diseases or ailments of human beings.

(b) An optician may determine the refractive powers of
the human eyes if the optician is making such determination
under the direct supervision of an ophthalmologist licensed
under chapter 458 or chapter 459.

(5) Any person who violates a provision of this
section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable
as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

HOUSE SUMMARY

Authorizes an optician to determine the refractive powers
of the human eyes under the direct supervision of a
licensed ophthalmologist.