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Senator Peaden moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 92, between lines 3 and 4,

insert:

Section 31. In order to implement specific appropriation 210 of the 2002-2003 General Appropriations Act, subsection (11) of section 409.908, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.908 Reimbursement of Medicaid providers.--Subject to specific appropriations, the agency shall reimburse Medicaid providers, in accordance with state and federal law, according to methodologies set forth in the rules of the agency and in policy manuals and handbooks incorporated by reference therein. These methodologies may include fee schedules, reimbursement methods based on cost reporting, negotiated fees, competitive bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, and other mechanisms the agency considers efficient and effective for purchasing services or goods on behalf of recipients. Payment for Medicaid compensable services made on

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1 behalf of Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the  
 2 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions  
 3 provided for in the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.  
 4 Further, nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent  
 5 or limit the agency from adjusting fees, reimbursement rates,  
 6 lengths of stay, number of visits, or number of services, or  
 7 making any other adjustments necessary to comply with the  
 8 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions  
 9 provided for in the General Appropriations Act, provided the  
 10 adjustment is consistent with legislative intent.

11 (11) A provider of independent laboratory services  
 12 shall be reimbursed ~~on the basis of competitive bidding~~ or for  
 13 the least of the amount billed by the provider, the provider's  
 14 usual and customary charge, or the Medicaid maximum allowable  
 15 fee established by the agency.

16 Section 32. Effective July 1, 2003, subsection (11) of  
 17 section 409.908, Florida Statutes, as amended by subsection 31  
 18 of this act, is amended to read:

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 15 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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19 And the title is amended as follows:

20 On page 3, line 25, after the semicolon,  
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 22 insert:  
 23 amending s. 409.908, F.S.; revising criteria  
 24 for the reimbursement of providers of  
 25 independent laboratory services;

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