

CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Health Care Appropriations Committee recommends the
2 following:

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4 **Council/Committee Substitute**

5 Remove the entire bill and insert:

6 A bill to be entitled

7 An act relating to Medicaid; amending s. 409.906, F.S.;
8 authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to
9 pay for certain visual services prescribed to Medicaid
10 recipients regardless of age; providing an appropriation;
11 providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. Subsection (23) of section 409.906, Florida
16 Statutes, is amended to read:

17 409.906 Optional Medicaid services.--Subject to specific
18 appropriations, the agency may make payments for services which
19 are optional to the state under Title XIX of the Social Security
20 Act and are furnished by Medicaid providers to recipients who
21 are determined to be eligible on the dates on which the services
22 were provided. Any optional service that is provided shall be
23 provided only when medically necessary and in accordance with

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24 state and federal law. Optional services rendered by providers
 25 in mobile units to Medicaid recipients may be restricted or
 26 prohibited by the agency. Nothing in this section shall be
 27 construed to prevent or limit the agency from adjusting fees,
 28 reimbursement rates, lengths of stay, number of visits, or
 29 number of services, or making any other adjustments necessary to
 30 comply with the availability of moneys and any limitations or
 31 directions provided for in the General Appropriations Act or
 32 chapter 216. If necessary to safeguard the state's systems of
 33 providing services to elderly and disabled persons and subject
 34 to the notice and review provisions of s. 216.177, the Governor
 35 may direct the Agency for Health Care Administration to amend
 36 the Medicaid state plan to delete the optional Medicaid service
 37 known as "Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally
 38 Disabled." Optional services may include:

39 (23) ~~CHILDREN'S VISUAL SERVICES.~~--The agency may pay for
 40 visual examinations, eyeglasses, and eyeglass repairs for a
 41 recipient ~~younger than 21 years of age,~~ if they are prescribed
 42 by a licensed physician specializing in diseases of the eye or
 43 by a licensed optometrist.

44 Section 2. There are hereby appropriated the sums of
 45 \$2,399,934 from the General Revenue Fund, \$3,437,897 from the
 46 Medical Care Trust Fund, and \$190,394 from the Refugee
 47 Assistance Trust Fund to the Agency for Health Care
 48 Administration for the 2005-2006 fiscal year to provide adult
 49 vision services to Medicaid recipients.

50 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.