

By: Representative Scott (80th)

To: Public Health and  
Welfare;  
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 183

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF MEDICAID  
3 PROVIDERS TO DETERMINE THE EFFECT OF REIMBURSEMENT LEVELS ON  
4 PROVIDER PARTICIPATION OR NONPARTICIPATION IN THE CAPITATED  
5 MANAGED CARE PILOT PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 43-13-117. Medical assistance as authorized by this article  
10 shall include payment of part or all of the costs, at the  
11 discretion of the division or its successor, with approval of the  
12 Governor, of the following types of care and services rendered to  
13 eligible applicants who shall have been determined to be eligible  
14 for such care and services, within the limits of state  
15 appropriations and federal matching funds:

16 (1) Inpatient hospital services.

17 (a) The division shall allow thirty (30) days of  
18 inpatient hospital care annually for all Medicaid recipients;  
19 however, before any recipient will be allowed more than fifteen  
20 (15) days of inpatient hospital care in any one (1) year, he must  
21 obtain prior approval therefor from the division. The division  
22 shall be authorized to allow unlimited days in disproportionate  
23 hospitals as defined by the division for eligible infants under  
24 the age of six (6) years.

25 (b) From and after July 1, 1994, the Executive Director  
26 of the Division of Medicaid shall amend the Mississippi Title XIX  
27 Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement Plan to remove the occupancy rate  
28 penalty from the calculation of the Medicaid Capital Cost

29 Component utilized to determine total hospital costs allocated to  
30 the Medicaid Program.

31 (2) Outpatient hospital services. Provided that where the  
32 same services are reimbursed as clinic services, the division may  
33 revise the rate or methodology of outpatient reimbursement to  
34 maintain consistency, efficiency, economy and quality of care.

35 (3) Laboratory and X-ray services.

36 (4) Nursing facility services.

37 (a) The division shall make full payment to nursing  
38 facilities for each day, not exceeding thirty-six (36) days per  
39 year, that a patient is absent from the facility on home leave.  
40 However, before payment may be made for more than eighteen (18)  
41 home leave days in a year for a patient, the patient must have  
42 written authorization from a physician stating that the patient is  
43 physically and mentally able to be away from the facility on home  
44 leave. Such authorization must be filed with the division before  
45 it will be effective and the authorization shall be effective for  
46 three (3) months from the date it is received by the division,  
47 unless it is revoked earlier by the physician because of a change  
48 in the condition of the patient.

49 (b) Repealed.

50 (c) From and after July 1, 1997, all state-owned  
51 nursing facilities shall be reimbursed on a full reasonable costs  
52 basis. From and after July 1, 1997, payments by the division to  
53 nursing facilities for return on equity capital shall be made at  
54 the rate paid under Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security  
55 Act), but shall be no less than seven and one-half percent (7.5%)  
56 nor greater than ten percent (10%).

57 (d) A Review Board for nursing facilities is  
58 established to conduct reviews of the Division of Medicaid's  
59 decision in the areas set forth below:

60 (i) Review shall be heard in the following areas:

61 (A) Matters relating to cost reports  
62 including, but not limited to, allowable costs and cost  
63 adjustments resulting from desk reviews and audits.

64 (B) Matters relating to the Minimum Data Set  
65 Plus (MDS +) or successor assessment formats including but not  
66 limited to audits, classifications and submissions.

67                   (ii) The Review Board shall be composed of six (6)  
68 members, three (3) having expertise in one (1) of the two (2)  
69 areas set forth above and three (3) having expertise in the other  
70 area set forth above. Each panel of three (3) shall only review  
71 appeals arising in its area of expertise. The members shall be  
72 appointed as follows:

73                   (A) In each of the areas of expertise defined  
74 under subparagraphs (i)(A) and (i)(B), the Executive Director of  
75 the Division of Medicaid shall appoint one (1) person chosen from  
76 the private sector nursing home industry in the state, which may  
77 include independent accountants and consultants serving the  
78 industry;

79                   (B) In each of the areas of expertise defined  
80 under subparagraphs (i)(A) and (i)(B), the Executive Director of  
81 the Division of Medicaid shall appoint one (1) person who is  
82 employed by the state who does not participate directly in desk  
83 reviews or audits of nursing facilities in the two (2) areas of  
84 review;

85                   (C) The two (2) members appointed by the  
86 Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid in each area of  
87 expertise shall appoint a third member in the same area of  
88 expertise.

89           In the event of a conflict of interest on the part of any  
90 Review Board members, the Executive Director of the Division of  
91 Medicaid or the other two (2) panel members, as applicable, shall  
92 appoint a substitute member for conducting a specific review.

93                   (iii) The Review Board panels shall have the power  
94 to preserve and enforce order during hearings; to issue subpoenas;  
95 to administer oaths; to compel attendance and testimony of  
96 witnesses; or to compel the production of books, papers, documents  
97 and other evidence; or the taking of depositions before any  
98 designated individual competent to administer oaths; to examine  
99 witnesses; and to do all things conformable to law that may be  
100 necessary to enable it effectively to discharge its duties. The

101 Review Board panels may appoint such person or persons as they  
102 shall deem proper to execute and return process in connection  
103 therewith.

104 (iv) The Review Board shall promulgate, publish  
105 and disseminate to nursing facility providers rules of procedure  
106 for the efficient conduct of proceedings, subject to the approval  
107 of the Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid and in  
108 accordance with federal and state administrative hearing laws and  
109 regulations.

110 (v) Proceedings of the Review Board shall be of  
111 record.

112 (vi) Appeals to the Review Board shall be in  
113 writing and shall set out the issues, a statement of alleged facts  
114 and reasons supporting the provider's position. Relevant  
115 documents may also be attached. The appeal shall be filed within  
116 thirty (30) days from the date the provider is notified of the  
117 action being appealed or, if informal review procedures are taken,  
118 as provided by administrative regulations of the Division of  
119 Medicaid, within thirty (30) days after a decision has been  
120 rendered through informal hearing procedures.

121 (vii) The provider shall be notified of the  
122 hearing date by certified mail within thirty (30) days from the  
123 date the Division of Medicaid receives the request for appeal.  
124 Notification of the hearing date shall in no event be less than  
125 thirty (30) days before the scheduled hearing date. The appeal  
126 may be heard on shorter notice by written agreement between the  
127 provider and the Division of Medicaid.

128 (viii) Within thirty (30) days from the date of  
129 the hearing, the Review Board panel shall render a written  
130 recommendation to the Executive Director of the Division of  
131 Medicaid setting forth the issues, findings of fact and applicable  
132 law, regulations or provisions.

133 (ix) The Executive Director of the Division of  
134 Medicaid shall, upon review of the recommendation, the proceedings

135 and the record, prepare a written decision which shall be mailed  
136 to the nursing facility provider no later than twenty (20) days  
137 after the submission of the recommendation by the panel. The  
138 decision of the executive director is final, subject only to  
139 judicial review.

140 (x) Appeals from a final decision shall be made to  
141 the Chancery Court of Hinds County. The appeal shall be filed  
142 with the court within thirty (30) days from the date the decision  
143 of the Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid becomes  
144 final.

145 (xi) The action of the Division of Medicaid under  
146 review shall be stayed until all administrative proceedings have  
147 been exhausted.

148 (xii) Appeals by nursing facility providers  
149 involving any issues other than those two (2) specified in  
150 subparagraphs (i)(A) and (ii)(B) shall be taken in accordance with  
151 the administrative hearing procedures established by the Division  
152 of Medicaid.

153 (e) When a facility of a category that does not require  
154 a certificate of need for construction and that could not be  
155 eligible for Medicaid reimbursement is constructed to nursing  
156 facility specifications for licensure and certification, and the  
157 facility is subsequently converted to a nursing facility pursuant  
158 to a certificate of need that authorizes conversion only and the  
159 applicant for the certificate of need was assessed an application  
160 review fee based on capital expenditures incurred in constructing  
161 the facility, the division shall allow reimbursement for capital  
162 expenditures necessary for construction of the facility that were  
163 incurred within the twenty-four (24) consecutive calendar months  
164 immediately preceding the date that the certificate of need  
165 authorizing such conversion was issued, to the same extent that  
166 reimbursement would be allowed for construction of a new nursing  
167 facility pursuant to a certificate of need that authorizes such  
168 construction. The reimbursement authorized in this subparagraph

169 (e) may be made only to facilities the construction of which was  
170 completed after June 30, 1989. Before the division shall be  
171 authorized to make the reimbursement authorized in this  
172 subparagraph (e), the division first must have received approval  
173 from the Health Care Financing Administration of the United States  
174 Department of Health and Human Services of the change in the state  
175 Medicaid plan providing for such reimbursement.

176 (5) Periodic screening and diagnostic services for  
177 individuals under age twenty-one (21) years as are needed to  
178 identify physical and mental defects and to provide health care  
179 treatment and other measures designed to correct or ameliorate  
180 defects and physical and mental illness and conditions discovered  
181 by the screening services regardless of whether these services are  
182 included in the state plan. The division may include in its  
183 periodic screening and diagnostic program those discretionary  
184 services authorized under the federal regulations adopted to  
185 implement Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as  
186 amended. The division, in obtaining physical therapy services,  
187 occupational therapy services, and services for individuals with  
188 speech, hearing and language disorders, may enter into a  
189 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Education for  
190 the provision of such services to handicapped students by public  
191 school districts using state funds which are provided from the  
192 appropriation to the Department of Education to obtain federal  
193 matching funds through the division. The division, in obtaining  
194 medical and psychological evaluations for children in the custody  
195 of the State Department of Human Services may enter into a  
196 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Human Services  
197 for the provision of such services using state funds which are  
198 provided from the appropriation to the Department of Human  
199 Services to obtain federal matching funds through the division.

200 On July 1, 1993, all fees for periodic screening and  
201 diagnostic services under this paragraph (5) shall be increased by  
202 twenty-five percent (25%) of the reimbursement rate in effect on

203 June 30, 1993.

204 (6) Physician's services. On January 1, 1996, all fees for  
205 physicians' services shall be reimbursed at seventy percent (70%)  
206 of the rate established on January 1, 1994, under Medicare (Title  
207 XVIII of the Social Security Act), as amended, and the division  
208 may adjust the physicians' reimbursement schedule to reflect the  
209 differences in relative value between Medicaid and Medicare.

210 (7) (a) Home health services for eligible persons, not to  
211 exceed in cost the prevailing cost of nursing facility services,  
212 not to exceed sixty (60) visits per year.

213 (b) Repealed.

214 (8) Emergency medical transportation services. On January  
215 1, 1994, emergency medical transportation services shall be  
216 reimbursed at seventy percent (70%) of the rate established under  
217 Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act), as amended.  
218 "Emergency medical transportation services" shall mean, but shall  
219 not be limited to, the following services by a properly permitted  
220 ambulance operated by a properly licensed provider in accordance  
221 with the Emergency Medical Services Act of 1974 (Section 41-59-1  
222 et seq.): (i) basic life support, (ii) advanced life support,  
223 (iii) mileage, (iv) oxygen, (v) intravenous fluids, (vi)  
224 disposable supplies, (vii) similar services.

225 (9) Legend and other drugs as may be determined by the  
226 division. The division may implement a program of prior approval  
227 for drugs to the extent permitted by law. Payment by the division  
228 for covered multiple source drugs shall be limited to the lower of  
229 the upper limits established and published by the Health Care  
230 Financing Administration (HCFA) plus a dispensing fee of Four  
231 Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91), or the estimated acquisition  
232 cost (EAC) as determined by the division plus a dispensing fee of  
233 Four Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91), or the providers' usual  
234 and customary charge to the general public. The division shall  
235 allow five (5) prescriptions per month for noninstitutionalized  
236 Medicaid recipients.

237 Payment for other covered drugs, other than multiple source  
238 drugs with HCFA upper limits, shall not exceed the lower of the  
239 estimated acquisition cost as determined by the division plus a  
240 dispensing fee of Four Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91) or the  
241 providers' usual and customary charge to the general public.

242 Payment for nonlegend or over-the-counter drugs covered on  
243 the division's formulary shall be reimbursed at the lower of the  
244 division's estimated shelf price or the providers' usual and  
245 customary charge to the general public. No dispensing fee shall  
246 be paid.

247 The division shall develop and implement a program of payment  
248 for additional pharmacist services, with payment to be based on  
249 demonstrated savings, but in no case shall the total payment  
250 exceed twice the amount of the dispensing fee.

251 As used in this paragraph (9), "estimated acquisition cost"  
252 means the division's best estimate of what price providers  
253 generally are paying for a drug in the package size that providers  
254 buy most frequently. Product selection shall be made in  
255 compliance with existing state law; however, the division may  
256 reimburse as if the prescription had been filled under the generic  
257 name. The division may provide otherwise in the case of specified  
258 drugs when the consensus of competent medical advice is that  
259 trademarked drugs are substantially more effective.

260 (10) Dental care that is an adjunct to treatment of an acute  
261 medical or surgical condition; services of oral surgeons and  
262 dentists in connection with surgery related to the jaw or any  
263 structure contiguous to the jaw or the reduction of any fracture  
264 of the jaw or any facial bone; and emergency dental extractions  
265 and treatment related thereto. On January 1, 1994, all fees for  
266 dental care and surgery under authority of this paragraph (10)  
267 shall be increased by twenty percent (20%) of the reimbursement  
268 rate as provided in the Dental Services Provider Manual in effect  
269 on December 31, 1993.

270 (11) Eyeglasses necessitated by reason of eye surgery, and



271 as prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or an  
272 optometrist, whichever the patient may select.

273 (12) Intermediate care facility services.

274 (a) The division shall make full payment to all  
275 intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded for each  
276 day, not exceeding thirty-six (36) days per year, that a patient  
277 is absent from the facility on home leave. However, before  
278 payment may be made for more than eighteen (18) home leave days in  
279 a year for a patient, the patient must have written authorization  
280 from a physician stating that the patient is physically and  
281 mentally able to be away from the facility on home leave. Such  
282 authorization must be filed with the division before it will be  
283 effective, and the authorization shall be effective for three (3)  
284 months from the date it is received by the division, unless it is  
285 revoked earlier by the physician because of a change in the  
286 condition of the patient.

287 (b) All state-owned intermediate care facilities for  
288 the mentally retarded shall be reimbursed on a full reasonable  
289 cost basis.

290 (13) Family planning services, including drugs, supplies and  
291 devices, when such services are under the supervision of a  
292 physician.

293 (14) Clinic services. Such diagnostic, preventive,  
294 therapeutic, rehabilitative or palliative services furnished to an  
295 outpatient by or under the supervision of a physician or dentist  
296 in a facility which is not a part of a hospital but which is  
297 organized and operated to provide medical care to outpatients.  
298 Clinic services shall include any services reimbursed as  
299 outpatient hospital services which may be rendered in such a  
300 facility, including those that become so after July 1, 1991. On  
301 January 1, 1994, all fees for physicians' services reimbursed  
302 under authority of this paragraph (14) shall be reimbursed at  
303 seventy percent (70%) of the rate established on January 1, 1993,  
304 under Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act), as

305 amended, or the amount that would have been paid under the  
306 division's fee schedule that was in effect on December 31, 1993,  
307 whichever is greater, and the division may adjust the physicians'  
308 reimbursement schedule to reflect the differences in relative  
309 value between Medicaid and Medicare. However, on January 1, 1994,  
310 the division may increase any fee for physicians' services in the  
311 division's fee schedule on December 31, 1993, that was greater  
312 than seventy percent (70%) of the rate established under Medicare  
313 by no more than ten percent (10%). On January 1, 1994, all fees  
314 for dentists' services reimbursed under authority of this  
315 paragraph (14) shall be increased by twenty percent (20%) of the  
316 reimbursement rate as provided in the Dental Services Provider  
317 Manual in effect on December 31, 1993.

318 (15) Home- and community-based services, as provided under  
319 Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, under  
320 waivers, subject to the availability of funds specifically  
321 appropriated therefor by the Legislature. Payment for such  
322 services shall be limited to individuals who would be eligible for  
323 and would otherwise require the level of care provided in a  
324 nursing facility. The division shall certify case management  
325 agencies to provide case management services and provide for home-  
326 and community-based services for eligible individuals under this  
327 paragraph. The home- and community-based services under this  
328 paragraph and the activities performed by certified case  
329 management agencies under this paragraph shall be funded using  
330 state funds that are provided from the appropriation to the  
331 Division of Medicaid and used to match federal funds under a  
332 cooperative agreement between the division and the Department of  
333 Human Services.

334 (16) Mental health services. Approved therapeutic and case  
335 management services provided by (a) an approved regional mental  
336 health/retardation center established under Sections 41-19-31  
337 through 41-19-39, or by another community mental health service  
338 provider meeting the requirements of the Department of Mental

339 Health to be an approved mental health/retardation center if  
340 determined necessary by the Department of Mental Health, using  
341 state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State  
342 Department of Mental Health and used to match federal funds under  
343 a cooperative agreement between the division and the department,  
344 or (b) a facility which is certified by the State Department of  
345 Mental Health to provide therapeutic and case management services,  
346 to be reimbursed on a fee for service basis. Any such services  
347 provided by a facility described in paragraph (b) must have the  
348 prior approval of the division to be reimbursable under this  
349 section. After June 30, 1997, mental health services provided by  
350 regional mental health/retardation centers established under  
351 Sections 41-19-31 through 41-19-39, or by hospitals as defined in  
352 Section 41-9-3(a) and/or their subsidiaries and divisions, or by  
353 psychiatric residential treatment facilities as defined in Section  
354 43-11-1, or by another community mental health service provider  
355 meeting the requirements of the Department of Mental Health to be  
356 an approved mental health/retardation center if determined  
357 necessary by the Department of Mental Health, shall not be  
358 included in or provided under any capitated managed care pilot  
359 program provided for under paragraph (24) of this section.

360 (17) Durable medical equipment services and medical supplies  
361 restricted to patients receiving home health services unless  
362 waived on an individual basis by the division. The division shall  
363 not expend more than Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00)  
364 of state funds annually to pay for medical supplies authorized  
365 under this paragraph.

366 (18) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to  
367 the contrary, the division shall make additional reimbursement to  
368 hospitals which serve a disproportionate share of low-income  
369 patients and which meet the federal requirements for such payments  
370 as provided in Section 1923 of the federal Social Security Act and  
371 any applicable regulations.

372 (19) (a) Perinatal risk management services. The division

373 shall promulgate regulations to be effective from and after  
374 October 1, 1988, to establish a comprehensive perinatal system for  
375 risk assessment of all pregnant and infant Medicaid recipients and  
376 for management, education and follow-up for those who are  
377 determined to be at risk. Services to be performed include case  
378 management, nutrition assessment/counseling, psychosocial  
379 assessment/counseling and health education. The division shall  
380 set reimbursement rates for providers in conjunction with the  
381 State Department of Health.

382 (b) Early intervention system services. The division  
383 shall cooperate with the State Department of Health, acting as  
384 lead agency, in the development and implementation of a statewide  
385 system of delivery of early intervention services, pursuant to  
386 Part H of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

387 The State Department of Health shall certify annually in writing  
388 to the director of the division the dollar amount of state early  
389 intervention funds available which shall be utilized as a  
390 certified match for Medicaid matching funds. Those funds then  
391 shall be used to provide expanded targeted case management  
392 services for Medicaid eligible children with special needs who are  
393 eligible for the state's early intervention system.

394 Qualifications for persons providing service coordination shall be  
395 determined by the State Department of Health and the Division of  
396 Medicaid.

397 (20) Home- and community-based services for physically  
398 disabled approved services as allowed by a waiver from the U.S.  
399 Department of Health and Human Services for home- and  
400 community-based services for physically disabled people using  
401 state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State  
402 Department of Rehabilitation Services and used to match federal  
403 funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the  
404 department, provided that funds for these services are  
405 specifically appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation  
406 Services.

407           (21) Nurse practitioner services. Services furnished by a  
408 registered nurse who is licensed and certified by the Mississippi  
409 Board of Nursing as a nurse practitioner including, but not  
410 limited to, nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, family nurse  
411 practitioners, family planning nurse practitioners, pediatric  
412 nurse practitioners, obstetrics-gynecology nurse practitioners and  
413 neonatal nurse practitioners, under regulations adopted by the  
414 division. Reimbursement for such services shall not exceed ninety  
415 percent (90%) of the reimbursement rate for comparable services  
416 rendered by a physician.

417           (22) Ambulatory services delivered in federally qualified  
418 health centers and in clinics of the local health departments of  
419 the State Department of Health for individuals eligible for  
420 medical assistance under this article based on reasonable costs as  
421 determined by the division.

422           (23) Inpatient psychiatric services. Inpatient psychiatric  
423 services to be determined by the division for recipients under age  
424 twenty-one (21) which are provided under the direction of a  
425 physician in an inpatient program in a licensed acute care  
426 psychiatric facility or in a licensed psychiatric residential  
427 treatment facility, before the recipient reaches age twenty-one  
428 (21) or, if the recipient was receiving the services immediately  
429 before he reached age twenty-one (21), before the earlier of the  
430 date he no longer requires the services or the date he reaches age  
431 twenty-two (22), as provided by federal regulations. Recipients  
432 shall be allowed forty-five (45) days per year of psychiatric  
433 services provided in acute care psychiatric facilities, and shall  
434 be allowed unlimited days of psychiatric services provided in  
435 licensed psychiatric residential treatment facilities.

436           (24) Managed care services in a program to be developed by  
437 the division by a public or private provider. Notwithstanding any  
438 other provision in this article to the contrary, the division  
439 shall establish rates of reimbursement to providers rendering care  
440 and services authorized under this section, and may revise such

441 rates of reimbursement without amendment to this section by the  
442 Legislature for the purpose of achieving effective and accessible  
443 health services, and for responsible containment of costs. This  
444 shall include, but not be limited to, one (1) module of capitated  
445 managed care in a rural area, and one (1) module of capitated  
446 managed care in an urban area. The division shall conduct a study  
447 of those Medicaid providers who participate in the capitated  
448 managed care pilot program and those Medicaid providers in the  
449 same counties who do not participate in the pilot program, and the  
450 levels of reimbursement made to each group of providers for  
451 similar services, to determine the effect of the levels of  
452 reimbursement on provider participation or nonparticipation in the  
453 pilot program.

454 (25) Birthing center services.

455 (26) Hospice care. As used in this paragraph, the term  
456 "hospice care" means a coordinated program of active professional  
457 medical attention within the home and outpatient and inpatient  
458 care which treats the terminally ill patient and family as a unit,  
459 employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The  
460 program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms  
461 and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of  
462 physical, psychological, spiritual, social and economic stresses  
463 which are experienced during the final stages of illness and  
464 during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements  
465 for participation as a hospice as provided in 42 CFR Part 418.

466 (27) Group health plan premiums and cost sharing if it is  
467 cost effective as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human  
468 Services.

469 (28) Other health insurance premiums which are cost  
470 effective as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human  
471 Services. Medicare eligible must have Medicare Part B before  
472 other insurance premiums can be paid.

473 (29) The Division of Medicaid may apply for a waiver from  
474 the Department of Health and Human Services for home- and

475 community-based services for developmentally disabled people using  
476 state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State  
477 Department of Mental Health and used to match federal funds under  
478 a cooperative agreement between the division and the department,  
479 provided that funds for these services are specifically  
480 appropriated to the Department of Mental Health.

481 (30) Pediatric skilled nursing services for eligible persons  
482 under twenty-one (21) years of age.

483 (31) Targeted case management services for children with  
484 special needs, under waivers from the U.S. Department of Health  
485 and Human Services, using state funds that are provided from the  
486 appropriation to the Mississippi Department of Human Services and  
487 used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between  
488 the division and the department.

489 (32) Care and services provided in Christian Science  
490 Sanatoria operated by or listed and certified by The First Church  
491 of Christ Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts, rendered in connection  
492 with treatment by prayer or spiritual means to the extent that  
493 such services are subject to reimbursement under Section 1903 of  
494 the Social Security Act.

495 (33) Podiatrist services.

496 (34) Personal care services provided in a pilot program to  
497 not more than forty (40) residents at a location or locations to  
498 be determined by the division and delivered by individuals  
499 qualified to provide such services, as allowed by waivers under  
500 Title XIX of the Social Security Act, as amended. The division  
501 shall not expend more than Three Hundred Thousand Dollars  
502 (\$300,000.00) annually to provide such personal care services.  
503 The division shall develop recommendations for the effective  
504 regulation of any facilities that would provide personal care  
505 services which may become eligible for Medicaid reimbursement  
506 under this section, and shall present such recommendations with  
507 any proposed legislation to the 1996 Regular Session of the  
508 Legislature on or before January 1, 1996.

509           (35) Services and activities authorized in Sections  
510 43-27-101 and 43-27-103, using state funds that are provided from  
511 the appropriation to the State Department of Human Services and  
512 used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between  
513 the division and the department.

514           (36) Nonemergency transportation services for  
515 Medicaid-eligible persons, to be provided by the Department of  
516 Human Services. The division may contract with additional  
517 entities to administer non-emergency transportation services as it  
518 deems necessary. All providers shall have a valid driver's  
519 license, vehicle inspection sticker and a standard liability  
520 insurance policy covering the vehicle.

521           (37) Targeted case management services for individuals with  
522 chronic diseases, with expanded eligibility to cover services to  
523 uninsured recipients, on a pilot program basis. This paragraph  
524 (37) shall be contingent upon continued receipt of special funds  
525 from the Health Care Financing Authority and private foundations  
526 who have granted funds for planning these services. No funding  
527 for these services shall be provided from State General Funds.

528           (38) Chiropractic services: a chiropractor's manual  
529 manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation, if x-ray  
530 demonstrates that a subluxation exists and if the subluxation has  
531 resulted in a neuromusculoskeletal condition for which  
532 manipulation is appropriate treatment. Reimbursement for  
533 chiropractic services shall not exceed Seven Hundred Dollars  
534 (\$700.00) per year per recipient.

535           Notwithstanding any provision of this article, except as  
536 authorized in the following paragraph and in Section 43-13-139,  
537 neither (a) the limitations on quantity or frequency of use of or  
538 the fees or charges for any of the care or services available to  
539 recipients under this section, nor (b) the payments or rates of  
540 reimbursement to providers rendering care or services authorized  
541 under this section to recipients, may be increased, decreased or  
542 otherwise changed from the levels in effect on July 1, 1986,



543 unless such is authorized by an amendment to this section by the  
544 Legislature. However, the restriction in this paragraph shall not  
545 prevent the division from changing the payments or rates of  
546 reimbursement to providers without an amendment to this section  
547 whenever such changes are required by federal law or regulation,  
548 or whenever such changes are necessary to correct administrative  
549 errors or omissions in calculating such payments or rates of  
550 reimbursement.

551 Notwithstanding any provision of this article, no new groups  
552 or categories of recipients and new types of care and services may  
553 be added without enabling legislation from the Mississippi  
554 Legislature, except that the division may authorize such changes  
555 without enabling legislation when such addition of recipients or  
556 services is ordered by a court of proper authority. The director  
557 shall keep the Governor advised on a timely basis of the funds  
558 available for expenditure and the projected expenditures. In the  
559 event current or projected expenditures can be reasonably  
560 anticipated to exceed the amounts appropriated for any fiscal  
561 year, the Governor, after consultation with the director, shall  
562 discontinue any or all of the payment of the types of care and  
563 services as provided herein which are deemed to be optional  
564 services under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as  
565 amended, for any period necessary to not exceed appropriated  
566 funds, and when necessary shall institute any other cost  
567 containment measures on any program or programs authorized under  
568 the article to the extent allowed under the federal law governing  
569 such program or programs, it being the intent of the Legislature  
570 that expenditures during any fiscal year shall not exceed the  
571 amounts appropriated for such fiscal year.

572 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
573 and after July 1, 1999.