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AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill NO. 1332

By Senator(s) Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

9 SECTION 1. Section 43-13-107, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
10 amended as follows:

11 43-13-107. (1) The Division of Medicaid is hereby created
12 in the Office of the Governor and established to administer this
13 article and perform such other duties as are prescribed by law.

14 (2) The Governor shall appoint a full-time director, with
15 the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall be either a
16 physician with administrative experience in a medical care or
17 health program or a person holding a graduate degree in medical
18 care administration, public health, hospital administration, or
19 the equivalent, and who shall serve at the will and pleasure of
20 the Governor. The director shall be the official secretary and
21 legal custodian of the records of the division; shall be the agent
22 of the division for the purpose of receiving all service of
23 process, summons and notices directed to the division; and shall
24 perform such other duties as the Governor shall, from time to
25 time, prescribe. The director, with the approval of the Governor
26 and the rules and regulations of the State Personnel Board, shall
27 employ such professional, administrative, stenographic,
28 secretarial, clerical and technical assistance as may be necessary
29 to perform the duties required in administering this article and

30 fix the compensation therefor, all in accordance with a state
31 merit system meeting federal requirements, except that when the
32 salary of the director is not set by law, such salary shall be set
33 by the State Personnel Board. No employees of the Division of
34 Medicaid shall be considered to be staff members of the immediate
35 Office of the Governor; however, the provisions of Section
36 25-9-107(xv), Mississippi Code of 1972, shall apply to the
37 director and other administrative heads of the division.

38 (3) A Medical Advisory Committee shall be established to
39 advise the Division of Medicaid. The committees shall be composed
40 of the respective Chairmen of the Senate Public Health and Welfare
41 Committee, the Senate Appropriations Committee, the House Public
42 Health and Welfare Committee, the House Appropriations Committee,
43 four (4) members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
44 Representatives and four (4) members appointed by the Lieutenant
45 Governor. At least two (2) members of the committee appointed by
46 the Speaker of the House and Lieutenant Governor shall be
47 physicians. The division may, at its discretion, make
48 appointments to the committee. Nonlegislative members of the
49 committee shall serve four-year terms which shall run concurrent
50 with the terms of the appointing authority. The chairmanship of
51 the committee shall alternate for twelve-month periods between the
52 Senate members and the House members with the Chairman of the
53 Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee serving as the first
54 chairman. Members of the committee who are not legislators shall
55 serve without compensation but expenses to defray actual expenses
56 incurred in the performance of travel, lodging and subsistence may
57 be authorized. Members of the committee who are legislators shall
58 receive the same per diem and expense reimbursement authorized for
59 legislators when attending committee meetings when the Legislature
60 is not in session. The committee shall meet not less than twice
61 annually and shall be furnished written notice of the meetings at
62 least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting. The

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63 committee, among its duties and responsibilities prescribed and
64 agreed to, shall:

65 (a) Advise the division with respect to issues
66 concerning receipt and disbursement of funds and eligibility for
67 medical assistance;

68 (b) Advise the division with respect to determining the
69 quantity, quality and extent of medical care provided under this
70 article;

71 (c) Communicate the views of the medical care
72 professions to the division and communicate the views of the
73 division to the medical care community;

74 (d) Advise the division with respect to encouraging
75 physicians and other medical care personnel to participate in
76 division programs;

77 (e) Provide a written report on or before November 30
78 of each year to the Lieutenant Governor and Speaker of the House
79 of Representatives.

80 SECTION 2. Section 43-13-113, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
81 amended as follows:

82 43-13-113. (1) The State Treasurer is hereby authorized and
83 directed to receive on behalf of the state, and to execute all
84 instruments incidental thereto, federal and other funds to be used
85 for financing the medical assistance plan or program adopted
86 pursuant to this article, and to place all such funds in a special
87 account to the credit of the Governor's Office-Division of
88 Medicaid, which said funds shall be expended by the division for
89 the purposes and under the provisions of this article, and shall
90 be paid out by the State Treasurer as funds appropriated to carry
91 out the provisions of this article are paid out by him.

92 The division shall issue all checks or electronic transfers
93 for administrative expenses, and for medical assistance under the
94 provisions of this article. All such checks or electronic
95 transfers shall be drawn upon funds made available to the division

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96 by the State Auditor, upon requisition of the director. It is the
97 purpose of this section to provide that the State Auditor shall
98 transfer, in lump sums, amounts to the division for disbursement
99 under the regulations which shall be made by the director with the
100 approval of the Governor; provided, however, that the division, or
101 its fiscal agent in behalf of the division, shall be authorized in
102 maintaining separate accounts with a Mississippi bank to handle
103 claim payments, refund recoveries and related Medicaid program
104 financial transactions, to aggressively manage the float in these
105 accounts while awaiting clearance of checks or electronic
106 transfers and/or other disposition so as to accrue maximum
107 interest advantage of the funds in the account, and to retain all
108 earned interest on these funds to be applied to match federal
109 funds for Medicaid program operations.

110 (2) Disbursement of funds to providers shall be made as
111 follows:

112 (a) All providers must submit all claims to the
113 Division of Medicaid's fiscal agent no later than twelve (12)
114 months from the date of service.

115 (b) The Division of Medicaid's fiscal agent must
116 pay * * * all clean claims within forty-five (45) days of the date
117 of receipt.

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119 (c) The Division of Medicaid's fiscal agent must pay
120 all other claims within three (3) months of the date of receipt.

121 (d) If a claim is neither paid nor denied for valid and
122 proper reasons by the end of the time periods as specified above,
123 the Division of Medicaid's fiscal agent must pay the provider
124 interest on the claim at the rate of one and one-half percent
125 (1-1/2%) per month on the amount of such claim until it is finally
126 settled or adjudicated.

127 (3) The date of receipt is the date the fiscal agent
128 receives the claim as indicated by its date stamp on the claim or,

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129 for those claims filed electronically, the date of receipt is the
130 date of transmission.

131 (4) The date of payment is the date of the check or, for
132 those claims paid by electronic funds transfer, the date of the
133 transfer.

134 (5) The above specified time limitations do not apply in the
135 following circumstances:

136 (a) Retroactive adjustments paid to providers
137 reimbursed under a retrospective payment system;

138 (b) If a claim for payment under Medicare has been
139 filed in a timely manner, the fiscal agent may pay a Medicaid
140 claim relating to the same services within six (6) months after
141 it, or the provider, receives notice of the disposition of the
142 Medicare claim;

143 (c) Claims from providers under investigation for fraud
144 or abuse; and

145 (d) The Division of Medicaid and/or its fiscal agent
146 may make payments at any time in accordance with a court order, to
147 carry out hearing decisions or corrective actions taken to resolve
148 a dispute, or to extend the benefits of a hearing decision,
149 corrective action, or court order to others in the same situation
150 as those directly affected by it.

151 (6) If sufficient funds are appropriated therefor by the
152 Legislature, the Division of Medicaid may contract with the
153 Mississippi Dental Association, or an approved designee, to
154 develop and operate a Donated Dental Services (DDS) program
155 through which volunteer dentists will treat needy disabled, aged,
156 and medically-compromised individuals who are non-Medicaid
157 eligible recipients.

158 SECTION 3. Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
159 amended as follows:

160 43-13-117. Medical assistance as authorized by this article
161 shall include payment of part or all of the costs, at the

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162 discretion of the division or its successor, with approval of the
163 Governor, of the following types of care and services rendered to
164 eligible applicants who shall have been determined to be eligible
165 for such care and services, within the limits of state
166 appropriations and federal matching funds:

167 (1) Inpatient hospital services.

168 (a) The division shall allow thirty (30) days of
169 inpatient hospital care annually for all Medicaid recipients;
170 however, before any recipient will be allowed more than fifteen
171 (15) days of inpatient hospital care in any one (1) year, he must
172 obtain prior approval therefor from the division. The division
173 shall be authorized to allow unlimited days in disproportionate
174 hospitals as defined by the division for eligible infants under
175 the age of six (6) years.

176 (b) From and after July 1, 1994, the Executive Director
177 of the Division of Medicaid shall amend the Mississippi Title XIX
178 Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement Plan to remove the occupancy rate
179 penalty from the calculation of the Medicaid Capital Cost
180 Component utilized to determine total hospital costs allocated to
181 the Medicaid Program.

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

186 (3) Laboratory and X-ray services.

187 (4) Nursing facility services.

188 (a) The division shall make full payment to nursing
189 facilities for each day, not exceeding thirty-six (36) days per
190 year, that a patient is absent from the facility on home leave.
191 However, before payment may be made for more than eighteen (18)
192 home leave days in a year for a patient, the patient must have
193 written authorization from a physician stating that the patient is
194 physically and mentally able to be away from the facility on home

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195 leave. Such authorization must be filed with the division before
196 it will be effective and the authorization shall be effective for
197 three (3) months from the date it is received by the division,
198 unless it is revoked earlier by the physician because of a change
199 in the condition of the patient.

200 (b) From and after July 1, 1993, the division shall
201 implement the integrated case-mix payment and quality monitoring
202 system developed pursuant to Section 43-13-122, which includes the
203 fair rental system for property costs and in which recapture of
204 depreciation is eliminated. The division may revise the
205 reimbursement methodology for the case-mix payment system by
206 reducing payment for hospital leave and therapeutic home leave
207 days to the lowest case-mix category for nursing facilities,
208 modifying the current method of scoring residents so that only
209 services provided at the nursing facility are considered in
210 calculating a facility's per diem, and the division may limit
211 administrative and operating costs, but in no case shall these
212 costs be less than one hundred nine percent (109%) of the median
213 administrative and operating costs for each class of facility, not
214 to exceed the median used to calculate the nursing facility
215 reimbursement for Fiscal Year 1996, to be applied uniformly to all
216 long-term care facilities. This paragraph (b) shall stand
217 repealed on July 1, 1997.

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

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

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

229 (A) Matters relating to cost reports

230 including, but not limited to, allowable costs and cost

231 adjustments resulting from desk reviews and audits.

232 (B) Matters relating to the Minimum Data Set

233 Plus (MDS +) or successor assessment formats including, but not

234 limited to, audits, classifications and submissions.

235 (ii) The Review Board shall be composed of six (6)

236 members, three (3) having expertise in one (1) of the two (2)

237 areas set forth above and three (3) having expertise in the other

238 area set forth above. Each panel of three (3) shall only review

239 appeals arising in its area of expertise. The members shall be

240 appointed as follows:

241 (A) In each of the areas of expertise defined

242 under subparagraphs (i)(A) and (i)(B), the Executive Director of

243 the Division of Medicaid shall appoint one (1) person chosen from

244 the private sector nursing home industry in the state, which may

245 include independent accountants and consultants serving the

246 industry;

247 (B) In each of the areas of expertise defined

248 under subparagraphs (i)(A) and (i)(B), the Executive Director of

249 the Division of Medicaid shall appoint one (1) person who is

250 employed by the state who does not participate directly in desk

251 reviews or audits of nursing facilities in the two (2) areas of

252 review;

253 (C) The two (2) members appointed by the

254 Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid in each area of

255 expertise shall appoint a third member in the same area of

256 expertise.

257 In the event of a conflict of interest on the part of any

258 Review Board members, the Executive Director of the Division of

259 Medicaid or the other two (2) panel members, as applicable, shall

260 appoint a substitute member for conducting a specific review.

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261 (iii) The Review Board panels shall have the power
262 to preserve and enforce order during hearings; to issue subpoenas;
263 to administer oaths; to compel attendance and testimony of
264 witnesses; or to compel the production of books, papers, documents
265 and other evidence; or the taking of depositions before any
266 designated individual competent to administer oaths; to examine
267 witnesses; and to do all things conformable to law that may be
268 necessary to enable it effectively to discharge its duties. The
269 Review Board panels may appoint such person or persons as they
270 shall deem proper to execute and return process in connection
271 therewith.

272 (iv) The Review Board shall promulgate, publish
273 and disseminate to nursing facility providers rules of procedure
274 for the efficient conduct of proceedings, subject to the approval
275 of the Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid and in
276 accordance with federal and state administrative hearing laws and
277 regulations.

278 (v) Proceedings of the Review Board shall be of
279 record.

280 (vi) Appeals to the Review Board shall be in
281 writing and shall set out the issues, a statement of alleged facts
282 and reasons supporting the provider's position. Relevant
283 documents may also be attached. The appeal shall be filed within
284 thirty (30) days from the date the provider is notified of the
285 action being appealed or, if informal review procedures are taken,
286 as provided by administrative regulations of the Division of
287 Medicaid, within thirty (30) days after a decision has been
288 rendered through informal hearing procedures.

289 (vii) The provider shall be notified of the
290 hearing date by certified mail within thirty (30) days from the
291 date the Division of Medicaid receives the request for appeal.
292 Notification of the hearing date shall in no event be less than
293 thirty (30) days before the scheduled hearing date. The appeal

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294 may be heard on shorter notice by written agreement between the
295 provider and the Division of Medicaid.

296 (viii) Within thirty (30) days from the date of
297 the hearing, the Review Board panel shall render a written
298 recommendation to the Executive Director of the Division of
299 Medicaid setting forth the issues, findings of fact and applicable
300 law, regulations or provisions.

301 (ix) The Executive Director of the Division of
302 Medicaid shall, upon review of the recommendation, the proceedings
303 and the record, prepare a written decision which shall be mailed
304 to the nursing facility provider no later than twenty (20) days
305 after the submission of the recommendation by the panel. The
306 decision of the executive director is final, subject only to
307 judicial review.

308 (x) Appeals from a final decision shall be made to
309 the Chancery Court of Hinds County. The appeal shall be filed
310 with the court within thirty (30) days from the date the decision
311 of the Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid becomes
312 final.

313 (xi) The action of the Division of Medicaid under
314 review shall be stayed until all administrative proceedings have
315 been exhausted.

316 (xii) Appeals by nursing facility providers
317 involving any issues other than those two (2) specified in
318 subparagraphs (i)(A) and (ii)(B) shall be taken in accordance with
319 the administrative hearing procedures established by the Division
320 of Medicaid.

321 (e) When a facility of a category that does not require
322 a certificate of need for construction and that could not be
323 eligible for Medicaid reimbursement is constructed to nursing
324 facility specifications for licensure and certification, and the
325 facility is subsequently converted to a nursing facility pursuant
326 to a certificate of need that authorizes conversion only and the

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327 applicant for the certificate of need was assessed an application
328 review fee based on capital expenditures incurred in constructing
329 the facility, the division shall allow reimbursement for capital
330 expenditures necessary for construction of the facility that were
331 incurred within the twenty-four (24) consecutive calendar months
332 immediately preceding the date that the certificate of need
333 authorizing such conversion was issued, to the same extent that
334 reimbursement would be allowed for construction of a new nursing
335 facility pursuant to a certificate of need that authorizes such
336 construction. The reimbursement authorized in this subparagraph
337 (e) may be made only to facilities the construction of which was
338 completed after June 30, 1989. Before the division shall be
339 authorized to make the reimbursement authorized in this
340 subparagraph (e), the division first must have received approval
341 from the Health Care Financing Administration of the United States
342 Department of Health and Human Services of the change in the state
343 Medicaid plan providing for such reimbursement.

344 (5) Periodic screening and diagnostic services for
345 individuals under age twenty-one (21) years as are needed to
346 identify physical and mental defects and to provide health care
347 treatment and other measures designed to correct or ameliorate
348 defects and physical and mental illness and conditions discovered
349 by the screening services regardless of whether these services are
350 included in the state plan. The division may include in its
351 periodic screening and diagnostic program those discretionary
352 services authorized under the federal regulations adopted to
353 implement Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as
354 amended. The division, in obtaining physical therapy services,
355 occupational therapy services, and services for individuals with
356 speech, hearing and language disorders, may enter into a
357 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Education for
358 the provision of such services to handicapped students by public
359 school districts using state funds which are provided from the

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360 appropriation to the Department of Education to obtain federal
361 matching funds through the division. The division, in obtaining
362 medical and psychological evaluations for children in the custody
363 of the State Department of Human Services may enter into a
364 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Human Services
365 for the provision of such services using state funds which are
366 provided from the appropriation to the Department of Human
367 Services to obtain federal matching funds through the division.

368 On July 1, 1993, all fees for periodic screening and
369 diagnostic services under this paragraph (5) shall be increased by
370 twenty-five percent (25%) of the reimbursement rate in effect on
371 June 30, 1993.

372 (6) Physicians' services. * * * All fees for physicians'
373 services shall be reimbursed at a rate not less than seventy
374 percent (70%) and not more than ninety percent (90%) of the rate
375 established on January 1, 1999, under Medicare (Title XVIII of the
376 Social Security Act, as amended), subject to the availability of
377 funds specifically appropriated therefor, and which shall, in no
378 event, be less than seventy percent (70%) of the rate established
379 on January 1, 1994. The division shall pay ten percent (10%) of
380 any co-payment for physicians' services rendered to a person
381 dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare.

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

385 (b) The division may revise reimbursement for home
386 health services in order to establish equity between reimbursement
387 for home health services and reimbursement for institutional
388 services within the Medicaid program. This paragraph (b) shall
389 stand repealed on July 1, 1997.

390 (8) Emergency medical transportation services. On January
391 1, 1994, emergency medical transportation services shall be
392 reimbursed at seventy percent (70%) of the rate established under

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393 Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act), as amended.
394 "Emergency medical transportation services" shall mean, but shall
395 not be limited to, the following services by a properly permitted
396 ambulance operated by a properly licensed provider in accordance
397 with the Emergency Medical Services Act of 1974 (Section 41-59-1
398 et seq.): (i) basic life support, (ii) advanced life support,
399 (iii) mileage, (iv) oxygen, (v) intravenous fluids, (vi)
400 disposable supplies, (vii) similar services.

401 (9) Legend and other drugs as may be determined by the
402 division. The division may implement a program of prior approval
403 for drugs to the extent permitted by law. Payment by the division
404 for covered multiple source drugs shall be limited to the lower of
405 the upper limits established and published by the Health Care
406 Financing Administration (HCFA) plus a dispensing fee of Four
407 Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91), or the estimated acquisition
408 cost (EAC) as determined by the division plus a dispensing fee of
409 Four Dollars and Ninety-one Cents (\$4.91), or the providers' usual
410 and customary charge to the general public. The division shall
411 allow five (5) prescriptions per month for noninstitutionalized
412 Medicaid recipients.

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

418 Payment for nonlegend or over-the-counter drugs covered on
419 the division's formulary shall be reimbursed at the lower of the
420 division's estimated shelf price or the providers' usual and
421 customary charge to the general public. No dispensing fee shall
422 be paid.

423 The division shall develop and implement a program of payment
424 for additional pharmacist services, with payment to be based on
425 demonstrated savings, but in no case shall the total payment

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426 exceed twice the amount of the dispensing fee.

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

436 (10) Dental care that is an adjunct to treatment of an acute
437 medical or surgical condition; services of oral surgeons and
438 dentists in connection with surgery related to the jaw or any
439 structure contiguous to the jaw or the reduction of any fracture
440 of the jaw or any facial bone; and emergency dental extractions
441 and treatment related thereto. On January 1, 1994, all fees for
442 dental care and surgery under authority of this paragraph (10)
443 shall be increased by twenty percent (20%) of the reimbursement
444 rate as provided in the Dental Services Provider Manual in effect
445 on December 31, 1993.

446 (11) Eyeglasses necessitated by reason of eye surgery, and
447 as prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or an
448 optometrist, whichever the patient may select.

449 (12) Intermediate care facility services.

450 (a) The division shall make full payment to all
451 intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded for each
452 day, not exceeding thirty-six (36) days per year, that a patient
453 is absent from the facility on home leave. However, before
454 payment may be made for more than eighteen (18) home leave days in
455 a year for a patient, the patient must have written authorization
456 from a physician stating that the patient is physically and
457 mentally able to be away from the facility on home leave. Such
458 authorization must be filed with the division before it will be

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459 effective, and the authorization shall be effective for three (3)
460 months from the date it is received by the division, unless it is
461 revoked earlier by the physician because of a change in the
462 condition of the patient.

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

466 (13) Family planning services, including drugs, supplies and
467 devices, when such services are under the supervision of a
468 physician.

469 (14) Clinic services. Such diagnostic, preventive,
470 therapeutic, rehabilitative or palliative services furnished to an
471 outpatient by or under the supervision of a physician or dentist
472 in a facility which is not a part of a hospital but which is
473 organized and operated to provide medical care to outpatients.
474 Clinic services shall include any services reimbursed as
475 outpatient hospital services which may be rendered in such a
476 facility, including those that become so after July 1, 1991. On
477 January 1, 1994, all fees for physicians' services reimbursed
478 under authority of this paragraph (14) shall be reimbursed at
479 seventy percent (70%) of the rate established on January 1, 1993,
480 under Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act), as
481 amended, or the amount that would have been paid under the
482 division's fee schedule that was in effect on December 31, 1993,
483 whichever is greater, and the division may adjust the physicians'
484 reimbursement schedule to reflect the differences in relative
485 value between Medicaid and Medicare. However, on January 1, 1994,
486 the division may increase any fee for physicians' services in the
487 division's fee schedule on December 31, 1993, that was greater
488 than seventy percent (70%) of the rate established under Medicare
489 by no more than ten percent (10%). On January 1, 1994, all fees
490 for dentists' services reimbursed under authority of this
491 paragraph (14) shall be increased by twenty percent (20%) of the

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492 amount the reimbursement rate as provided in the Dental Services
493 Provider Manual in effect on December 31, 1993.

494 (15) Home- and community-based services, as provided under
495 Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, under
496 waivers, subject to the availability of funds specifically
497 appropriated therefor by the Legislature. Payment for such
498 services shall be limited to individuals who would be eligible for
499 and would otherwise require the level of care provided in a
500 nursing facility. The division shall certify case management
501 agencies to provide case management services and provide for home-
502 and community-based services for eligible individuals under this
503 paragraph. The home- and community-based services under this
504 paragraph and the activities performed by certified case
505 management agencies under this paragraph shall be funded using
506 state funds that are provided from the appropriation to the
507 Division of Medicaid and used to match federal funds under a
508 cooperative agreement between the division and the Department of
509 Human Services.

510 (16) Mental health services. Approved therapeutic and case
511 management services provided by (a) an approved regional mental
512 health/retardation center established under Sections 41-19-31
513 through 41-19-39, or by another community mental health service
514 provider meeting the requirements of the Department of Mental
515 Health to be an approved mental health/retardation center if
516 determined necessary by the Department of Mental Health, using
517 state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State
518 Department of Mental Health and used to match federal funds under
519 a cooperative agreement between the division and the department,
520 or (b) a facility which is certified by the State Department of
521 Mental Health to provide therapeutic and case management services,
522 to be reimbursed on a fee for service basis. Any such services
523 provided by a facility described in paragraph (b) must have the
524 prior approval of the division to be reimbursable under this

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525 section. After June 30, 1997, mental health services provided by
526 regional mental health/retardation centers established under
527 Sections 41-19-31 through 41-19-39, or by hospitals as defined in
528 Section 41-9-3(a) and/or their subsidiaries and divisions, or by
529 psychiatric residential treatment facilities as defined in Section
530 43-11-1, or by another community mental health service provider
531 meeting the requirements of the Department of Mental Health to be
532 an approved mental health/retardation center if determined
533 necessary by the Department of Mental Health, shall not be
534 included in or provided under any capitated managed care pilot
535 program provided for under paragraph (24) of this section.

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

542 (18) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to
543 the contrary, the division shall make additional reimbursement to
544 hospitals which serve a disproportionate share of low-income
545 patients and which meet the federal requirements for such payments
546 as provided in Section 1923 of the federal Social Security Act and
547 any applicable regulations.

548 (19) (a) Perinatal risk management services. The division
549 shall promulgate regulations to be effective from and after
550 October 1, 1988, to establish a comprehensive perinatal system for
551 risk assessment of all pregnant and infant Medicaid recipients and
552 for management, education and follow-up for those who are
553 determined to be at risk. Services to be performed include case
554 management, nutrition assessment/counseling, psychosocial
555 assessment/counseling and health education. The division shall
556 set reimbursement rates for providers in conjunction with the
557 State Department of Health.

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

563 The State Department of Health shall certify annually in writing
564 to the director of the division the dollar amount of state early
565 intervention funds available which shall be utilized as a
566 certified match for Medicaid matching funds. Those funds then
567 shall be used to provide expanded targeted case management
568 services for Medicaid eligible children with special needs who are
569 eligible for the state's early intervention system.

570 Qualifications for persons providing service coordination shall be
571 determined by the State Department of Health and the Division of
572 Medicaid.

573 (20) Home- and community-based services for physically
574 disabled approved services as allowed by a waiver from the U.S.
575 Department of Health and Human Services for home- and
576 community-based services for physically disabled people using
577 state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State
578 Department of Rehabilitation Services and used to match federal
579 funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the
580 department, provided that funds for these services are
581 specifically appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation
582 Services.

583 (21) Nurse practitioner services. Services furnished by a
584 registered nurse who is licensed and certified by the Mississippi
585 Board of Nursing as a nurse practitioner including, but not
586 limited to, nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, family nurse
587 practitioners, family planning nurse practitioners, pediatric
588 nurse practitioners, obstetrics-gynecology nurse practitioners and
589 neonatal nurse practitioners, under regulations adopted by the
590 division. Reimbursement for such services shall not exceed ninety

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591 percent (90%) of the reimbursement rate for comparable services
592 rendered by a physician.

593 (22) Ambulatory services delivered in federally qualified
594 health centers and in clinics of the local health departments of
595 the State Department of Health for individuals eligible for
596 medical assistance under this article based on reasonable costs as
597 determined by the division.

598 (23) Inpatient psychiatric services. Inpatient psychiatric
599 services to be determined by the division for recipients under age
600 twenty-one (21) which are provided under the direction of a
601 physician in an inpatient program in a licensed acute care
602 psychiatric facility or in a licensed psychiatric residential
603 treatment facility, before the recipient reaches age twenty-one
604 (21) or, if the recipient was receiving the services immediately
605 before he reached age twenty-one (21), before the earlier of the
606 date he no longer requires the services or the date he reaches age
607 twenty-two (22), as provided by federal regulations. Recipients
608 shall be allowed forty-five (45) days per year of psychiatric
609 services provided in acute care psychiatric facilities, and shall
610 be allowed unlimited days of psychiatric services provided in
611 licensed psychiatric residential treatment facilities.

612 (24) Managed care services in a program to be developed by
613 the division by a public or private provider. Notwithstanding any
614 other provision in this article to the contrary, the division
615 shall establish rates of reimbursement to providers rendering care
616 and services authorized under this section, and may revise such
617 rates of reimbursement without amendment to this section by the
618 Legislature for the purpose of achieving effective and accessible
619 health services, and for responsible containment of costs. This
620 shall include, but not be limited to, one (1) module of capitated
621 managed care in a rural area, and one (1) module of capitated
622 managed care in an urban area.

623 (25) Birthing center services.

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624 (26) Hospice care. As used in this paragraph, the term
625 "hospice care" means a coordinated program of active professional
626 medical attention within the home and outpatient and inpatient
627 care which treats the terminally ill patient and family as a unit,
628 employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The
629 program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms
630 and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of
631 physical, psychological, spiritual, social and economic stresses
632 which are experienced during the final stages of illness and
633 during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements
634 for participation as a hospice as provided in 42 CFR Part 418.

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

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

642 (29) The Division of Medicaid may apply for a waiver from
643 the Department of Health and Human Services for home- and
644 community-based services for developmentally disabled people using
645 state funds which are provided from the appropriation to the State
646 Department of Mental Health and used to match federal funds under
647 a cooperative agreement between the division and the department,
648 provided that funds for these services are specifically
649 appropriated to the Department of Mental Health.

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

652 (31) Targeted case management services for children with
653 special needs, under waivers from the U.S. Department of Health
654 and Human Services, using state funds that are provided from the
655 appropriation to the Mississippi Department of Human Services and
656 used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between

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657 the division and the department.

658 (32) Care and services provided in Christian Science
659 Sanatoria operated by or listed and certified by The First Church
660 of Christ Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts, rendered in connection
661 with treatment by prayer or spiritual means to the extent that
662 such services are subject to reimbursement under Section 1903 of
663 the Social Security Act.

664 (33) Podiatrist services.

665 (34) Personal care services provided in a pilot program to
666 not more than forty (40) residents at a location or locations to
667 be determined by the division and delivered by individuals
668 qualified to provide such services, as allowed by waivers under
669 Title XIX of the Social Security Act, as amended. The division
670 shall not expend more than Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
671 (\$300,000.00) annually to provide such personal care services.
672 The division shall develop recommendations for the effective
673 regulation of any facilities that would provide personal care
674 services which may become eligible for Medicaid reimbursement
675 under this section, and shall present such recommendations with
676 any proposed legislation to the 1996 Regular Session of the
677 Legislature on or before January 1, 1996.

678 (35) Services and activities authorized in Sections
679 43-27-101 and 43-27-103, using state funds that are provided from
680 the appropriation to the State Department of Human Services and
681 used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between
682 the division and the department.

683 (36) Nonemergency transportation services for
684 Medicaid-eligible persons, to be provided by the Department of
685 Human Services. The division may contract with additional
686 entities to administer nonemergency transportation services as it
687 deems necessary. All providers shall have a valid driver's
688 license, vehicle inspection sticker and a standard liability
689 insurance policy covering the vehicle.

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

697 (38) Chiropractic services: a chiropractor's manual
698 manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation, if x-ray
699 demonstrates that a subluxation exists and if the subluxation has
700 resulted in a neuromusculoskeletal condition for which
701 manipulation is appropriate treatment. Reimbursement for
702 chiropractic services shall not exceed Seven Hundred Dollars
703 (\$700.00) per year per recipient.

704 Notwithstanding any provision of this article, except as
705 authorized in the following paragraph and in Section 43-13-139,
706 neither (a) the limitations on quantity or frequency of use of or
707 the fees or charges for any of the care or services available to
708 recipients under this section, nor (b) the payments or rates of
709 reimbursement to providers rendering care or services authorized
710 under this section to recipients, may be increased, decreased or
711 otherwise changed from the levels in effect on July 1, 1986,
712 unless such is authorized by an amendment to this section by the
713 Legislature. However, the restriction in this paragraph shall not
714 prevent the division from changing the payments or rates of
715 reimbursement to providers without an amendment to this section
716 whenever such changes are required by federal law or regulation,
717 or whenever such changes are necessary to correct administrative
718 errors or omissions in calculating such payments or rates of
719 reimbursement.

720 Notwithstanding any provision of this article, no new groups
721 or categories of recipients and new types of care and services may
722 be added without enabling legislation from the Mississippi

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723 Legislature, except that the division may authorize such changes
724 without enabling legislation when such addition of recipients or
725 services is ordered by a court of proper authority. The director
726 shall keep the Governor advised on a timely basis of the funds
727 available for expenditure and the projected expenditures. In the
728 event current or projected expenditures can be reasonably
729 anticipated to exceed the amounts appropriated for any fiscal
730 year, the Governor, after consultation with the director, shall
731 discontinue any or all of the payment of the types of care and
732 services as provided herein which are deemed to be optional
733 services under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as
734 amended, for any period necessary to not exceed appropriated
735 funds, and when necessary shall institute any other cost
736 containment measures on any program or programs authorized under
737 the article to the extent allowed under the federal law governing
738 such program or programs, it being the intent of the Legislature
739 that expenditures during any fiscal year shall not exceed the
740 amounts appropriated for such fiscal year.

741 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from
742 and after July 1, 1999.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-107, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID; TO
3 AMEND SECTION 43-13-113, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE
4 PROCEDURES FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS TO
5 PROVIDERS; TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
6 TO INCREASE THE RATE FOR MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR PHYSICIANS
7 SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.