Adopted AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 2005

BY: Committee

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

- 17 SECTION 1. Section 43-1-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 18 amended as follows:
- 19 43-1-1. (1) The Department of Human Services shall be the
- 20 State Department of Public Welfare and shall retain all powers and
- 21 duties as granted to the State Department of Public Welfare.
- 22 Wherever the term "State Department of Public Welfare" or "State
- 23 Board of Public Welfare" appears in any law, the same shall mean
- 24 the Department of Human Services. The Executive Director of the
- 25 Department of Human Services may assign to the appropriate offices
- 26 such powers and duties deemed appropriate to carry out the lawful
- 27 functions of the department.
- 28 (2) This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2005.
- SECTION 2. Section 43-1-2, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 30 amended as follows:
- 31 43-1-2. (1) There is created the Mississippi Department of
- 32 Human Services, whose offices shall be located in Jackson,
- 33 Mississippi, and which shall be under the policy direction of the
- 34 Governor.

- 35 (2) The chief administrative officer of the department shall
- 36 be the Executive Director of Human Services. The Governor shall
- 37 appoint the Executive Director of Human Services with the advice
- 38 and consent of the Senate, and he or she shall serve at the will
- 39 and pleasure of the Governor, and until his or her successor is
- 40 appointed and qualified. The Executive Director of Human Services
- 41 shall possess the following qualifications:
- 42 (a) A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- 43 of higher learning and ten (10) years' experience in management,
- 44 public administration, finance or accounting; or
- 45 (b) A master's or doctoral degree from an accredited
- 46 institution of higher learning and five (5) years' experience in
- 47 management, public administration, finance or accounting.
- Those qualifications shall be certified by the State
- 49 Personnel Board.
- 50 (3) There shall be a Joint Oversight Committee of the
- 51 Department of Human Services composed of the respective chairmen
- 52 of the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee, the Senate
- 53 Appropriations Committee, the House Public Health and Human
- 54 Services Committee and the House Appropriations Committee, four
- 55 (4) members of the Senate appointed by the Lieutenant Governor to
- 56 serve at the will and pleasure of the Lieutenant Governor, and
- 57 <u>four (4)</u> members of the House of Representatives appointed by the
- 58 Speaker of the House to serve at the will and pleasure of the
- 59 Speaker. The chairmanship of the committee shall alternate for
- 60 twelve-month periods between the Senate members and the House
- 61 members, with the Chairman of the Senate Public Health and Welfare
- 62 Committee serving as the first chairman. The committee shall meet
- 63 once each month, or upon the call of the chairman at such times as
- 64 he or she deems necessary or advisable, and may make
- 65 recommendations to the Legislature pertaining to any matter within
- 66 the jurisdiction of the Mississippi Department of Human Services.

- 67 The appointing authorities may designate an alternate member from
- 68 their respective houses to serve when the regular designee is
- 69 unable to attend the meetings of the oversight committee. For
- 70 attending meetings of the oversight committee, the legislators
- 71 shall receive per diem and expenses, which shall be paid from the
- 72 contingent expense funds of their respective houses in the same
- 73 amounts as provided for committee meetings when the Legislature is
- 74 not in session; however, no per diem and expenses for attending
- 75 meetings of the committee will be paid while the Legislature is in
- 76 session. No per diem and expenses will be paid except for
- 77 attending meetings of the oversight committee without prior
- 78 approval of the proper committee in their respective houses.
- 79 (4) The * * * Department of Human Services shall provide the
- 80 services authorized by law to every individual determined to be
- 81 eligible therefor, and in carrying out the purposes of the
- 82 department, the executive director is authorized:
- 83 (a) To formulate the policy of the department regarding
- 84 human services within the jurisdiction of the department;
- 85 (b) To adopt, modify, repeal and promulgate, after due
- 86 notice and hearing, and where not otherwise prohibited by federal
- 87 or state law, to make exceptions to and grant exemptions and
- 88 variances from, and to enforce rules and regulations implementing
- 89 or effectuating the powers and duties of the department under any
- 90 and all statutes within the department's jurisdiction, all of
- 91 which shall be binding upon the county departments of human
- 92 services;
- 93 (c) To apply for, receive and expend any federal or
- 94 state funds or contributions, gifts, devises, bequests or funds
- 95 from any other source;
- 96 (d) Except as limited by Section 43-1-3, to enter into
- 97 and execute contracts, grants and cooperative agreements with any
- 98 federal or state agency or subdivision thereof, or any public or

- 99 private institution located inside or outside the State of
- 100 Mississippi, or any person, corporation or association in
- 101 connection with carrying out the programs of the department; and
- 102 (e) To discharge such other duties, responsibilities
- 103 and powers as are necessary to implement the programs of the
- 104 department.
- 105 (5) The executive director shall establish the
- 106 organizational structure of the Mississippi Department of Human
- 107 Services which shall include the creation of any units necessary
- 108 to implement the duties assigned to the department and consistent
- 109 with specific requirements of law, including, but not limited to:
- 110 (a) Office of Family and Children's Services;
- 111 (b) Office of Youth Services;
- 112 (c) Office of Economic Assistance;
- 113 (d) Office of Child Support Enforcement.
- 114 (6) The Executive Director of Human Services shall appoint
- 115 heads of offices, bureaus and divisions, as defined in Section
- 116 7-17-11, who shall serve at the pleasure of the executive
- 117 director. The salary and compensation of the office, bureau and
- 118 division heads shall be subject to the rules and regulations
- 119 adopted and promulgated by the State Personnel Board as created
- 120 under Section 25-9-101 et seq. The executive director shall have
- 121 the authority to organize offices as deemed appropriate to carry
- 122 out the responsibilities of the department. The organization
- 123 charts of the department shall be presented annually with the
- 124 budget request of the Governor for review by the Legislature.
- 125 (7) This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2005.
- 126 **SECTION 3.** Section 43-1-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 127 amended as follows:
- 128 43-1-3. Notwithstanding the authority granted under
- 129 subsection (4)(d) of Section 43-1-2, the Department of Human
- 130 Services or the Executive Director of Human Services shall not be

- authorized to delegate, privatize or otherwise enter into a 131 132 contract with a private entity for the operation of any office, bureau or division of the department, as defined in Section 133 134 7-17-11, without specific authority to do so by general act of the 135 Legislature. However, nothing in this section shall be construed 136 to invalidate (i) any contract of the department that is in place and operational before January 1, 1994; or (ii) the continued 137 renewal of any such contract with the same entity upon the 138 expiration of the contract; or (iii) the execution of a contract 139 140 with another legal entity as a replacement of any such contract 141 that is expiring, provided that the replacement contract is 142 substantially the same as the expiring contract. Notwithstanding 143 any other provision of this section, the department shall be authorized to continue the operation of its child support 144 145 collection program with a private entity on a pilot program basis 146 in Hinds and Warren Counties in Mississippi, and the department 147 and the private entity shall specifically be prohibited from 148 expanding such pilot program to any counties other than Hinds and Warren Counties without specific authority to do so by amendment 149 150 to this section by general act of the Legislature. Before December 15, 1994, the department shall provide a detailed report 151 152 to the Joint Oversight Committee established by Section 43-1-2 and to the Legislature that describes the results of the pilot program 153 154 for the privatization of the department's child support collection 155 program as of December 1, 1994, including an evaluation of whether 156 there has been substantial compliance with the performance 157 standards specified in the contract for the private entity in 158 conducting the pilot program. 159 This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2005. 160 SECTION 4. Section 43-1-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
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amended as follows:

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- 162 43-1-5. It shall be the duty of the Department of Human
- 163 Services to:
- 164 (1) Establish and maintain programs not inconsistent with
- 165 the terms of this chapter and the rules, regulations and policies
- 166 of the * * * Department of Human Services, and publish the rules
- 167 and regulations of the department pertaining to those programs.
- 168 (2) Make such reports in such form and containing such
- 169 information as the federal government may, from time to time,
- 170 require, and comply with such provisions as the federal government
- 171 may, from time to time, find necessary to assure the correctness
- 172 and verification of such reports.
- 173 (3) Within ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal
- 174 year, and at each regular session of the Legislature, make and
- 175 publish one (1) report to the Governor and to the Legislature,
- 176 showing for the period of time covered, in each county and for the
- 177 state as a whole:
- 178 (a) The total number of recipients;
- (b) The total amount paid to them in cash;
- 180 (c) The maximum and the minimum amount paid to any
- 181 recipients in any one (1) month;
- 182 (d) The total number of applications;
- 183 (e) The number granted;
- 184 (f) The number denied;
- 185 (g) The number cancelled;
- 186 (h) The amount expended for administration of the
- 187 provisions of this chapter;
- 188 (i) The amount of money received from the federal
- 189 government, if any;
- 190 (j) The amount of money received from recipients of
- 191 assistance and from their estates and the disposition of same;
- 192 (k) Such other information and recommendations as the
- 193 Governor may require or the department * * * deems advisable;

- (1) The number of state-owned automobiles purchased and operated during the year by the department, the number purchased and operated out of funds appropriated by the Legislature, the number purchased and operated out of any other public funds, the miles traveled per automobile, the total miles traveled, the average cost per mile and depreciation estimate on each
- 201 (m) The cost per mile and total number of miles
 202 traveled by department employees in privately-owned automobiles,
 203 for which reimbursement is made out of state funds;
- 204 (n) Each association, convention or meeting attended by
 205 any department employees, the purposes thereof, the names of the
 206 employees attending and the total cost to the state of the
 207 convention, association or meeting;
- (o) How the money appropriated to the institutions
 under the jurisdiction of the department has been expended during
 the preceding year, beginning and ending with the fiscal year of
 each institution, exhibiting the salaries paid to officers and
 employees of the institutions, and each and every item of receipt
 and expenditure;
- 214 (p) The activities of each division within the
 215 Department of Human Services and recommendations for improvement
 216 of the services to be performed by each division;
- (q) In order of authority, the twenty (20) highest paid employees in the department receiving an annual salary in excess of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), by P.I.N. number, job title, job description and annual salary.
- Each report shall be balanced and shall begin with the
 balance at the end of the preceding fiscal year, and if any
 property belonging to the state or the institution is used for
 profit, the report shall show the expenses incurred in managing
 the property and the amount received from the same. Those reports

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automobile;

- 226 shall also show a summary of the gross receipts and gross
- 227 disbursements for each fiscal year and shall show the money on
- 228 hand at the beginning of the fiscal period of each division and
- 229 institution of the department.
- This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2005.
- 231 **SECTION 5.** Section 43-1-6, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 232 amended as follows:
- 233 43-1-6. The following programs within the Division of
- 234 Federal-State Programs, Office of the Governor, shall be
- 235 transferred to the * * * Department of Human Services:
- 236 (a) Office of Energy and Community Services;
- 237 (b) Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee; and
- 238 (c) Mississippi Council on Aging.
- 239 All authority to implement those programs shall be vested in
- 240 the State Department of Human Services.
- This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2005.
- SECTION 6. Section 43-13-115, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 243 amended as follows:
- 43-13-115. Recipients of Medicaid shall be the following
- 245 persons only:
- 246 (1) Those who are qualified for public assistance
- 247 grants under provisions of Title IV-A and E of the federal Social
- 248 Security Act, as amended, including those statutorily deemed to be
- 249 IV-A and low income families and children under Section 1931 of
- 250 the federal Social Security Act. For the purposes of this
- 251 paragraph (1) and paragraphs (8), (17) and (18) of this section,
- 252 any reference to Title IV-A or to Part A of Title IV of the
- 253 federal Social Security Act, as amended, or the state plan under
- 254 Title IV-A or Part A of Title IV, shall be considered as a
- 255 reference to Title IV-A of the federal Social Security Act, as
- 256 amended, and the state plan under Title IV-A, including the income
- 257 and resource standards and methodologies under Title IV-A and the

- 258 state plan, as they existed on July 16, 1996. The Department of
- 259 Human Services shall determine Medicaid eligibility for children
- 260 receiving public assistance grants under Title IV-E. The division
- 261 shall determine eligibility for low income families under Section
- 262 1931 of the federal Social Security Act and shall redetermine
- 263 eligibility for those continuing under Title IV-A grants.
- 264 (2) Those qualified for Supplemental Security Income
- 265 (SSI) benefits under Title XVI of the federal Social Security Act,
- 266 as amended, and those who are deemed SSI eligible as contained in
- 267 federal statute. The eligibility of individuals covered in this
- 268 paragraph shall be determined by the Social Security
- 269 Administration and certified to the Division of Medicaid.
- 270 (3) Qualified pregnant women who would be eligible for
- 271 Medicaid as a low income family member under Section 1931 of the
- 272 federal Social Security Act if her child were born. The
- 273 eligibility of the individuals covered under this paragraph shall
- 274 be determined by the division.
- 275 (4) [Deleted]
- 276 (5) A child born on or after October 1, 1984, to a
- 277 woman eligible for and receiving Medicaid under the state plan on
- 278 the date of the child's birth shall be deemed to have applied for
- 279 Medicaid and to have been found eligible for Medicaid under the
- 280 plan on the date of that birth, and will remain eligible for
- 281 Medicaid for a period of one (1) year so long as the child is a
- 282 member of the woman's household and the woman remains eligible for
- 283 Medicaid or would be eligible for Medicaid if pregnant. The
- 284 eligibility of individuals covered in this paragraph shall be
- 285 determined by the Division of Medicaid.
- 286 (6) Children certified by the State Department of Human
- 287 Services to the Division of Medicaid of whom the state and county
- 288 departments of human services have custody and financial
- 289 responsibility, and children who are in adoptions subsidized in

- 290 full or part by the Department of Human Services, including
- 291 special needs children in non-Title IV-E adoption assistance, who
- 292 are approvable under Title XIX of the Medicaid program. The
- 293 eligibility of the children covered under this paragraph shall be
- 294 determined by the State Department of Human Services.
- 295 (7) (a) Persons certified by the Division of Medicaid
- 296 who are patients in a medical facility (nursing home, hospital,
- 297 tuberculosis sanatorium or institution for treatment of mental
- 298 diseases), and who, except for the fact that they are patients in
- 299 that medical facility, would qualify for grants under Title IV,
- 300 Supplementary Security Income (SSI) benefits under Title XVI or
- 301 state supplements, and those aged, blind and disabled persons who
- 302 would not be eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- 303 benefits under Title XVI or state supplements if they were not
- 304 institutionalized in a medical facility but whose income is below
- 305 the maximum standard set by the Division of Medicaid, which
- 306 standard shall not exceed that prescribed by federal regulation;
- 307 (b) Individuals who have elected to receive
- 308 hospice care benefits and who are eligible using the same criteria
- 309 and special income limits as those in institutions as described in
- 310 subparagraph (a) of this paragraph (7).
- 311 (8) Children under eighteen (18) years of age and
- 312 pregnant women (including those in intact families) who meet the
- 313 financial standards of the state plan approved under Title IV-A of
- 314 the federal Social Security Act, as amended. The eligibility of
- 315 children covered under this paragraph shall be determined by the
- 316 Division of Medicaid.
- 317 (9) Individuals who are:
- 318 (a) Children born after September 30, 1983, who
- 319 have not attained the age of nineteen (19), with family income
- 320 that does not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the nonfarm
- 321 official poverty level;

322	(b) Pregnant women, infants and children who have
323	not attained the age of six (6), with family income that does not
324	exceed one hundred thirty-three percent (133%) of the federal
325	poverty level; and
326	(c) Pregnant women and infants who have not
327	attained the age of one (1), with family income that does not
328	exceed one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal
329	poverty level.
330	The eligibility of individuals covered in (a), (b) and (c) of
331	this paragraph shall be determined by the division.
332	(10) Certain disabled children age eighteen (18) or
333	under who are living at home, who would be eligible, if in a
334	medical institution, for SSI or a state supplemental payment under
335	Title XVI of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, and
336	therefore for Medicaid under the plan, and for whom the state has
337	made a determination as required under Section 1902(e)(3)(b) of
338	the federal Social Security Act, as amended. The eligibility of
339	individuals under this paragraph shall be determined by the
340	Division of Medicaid.
341	(11) Individuals who are sixty-five (65) years of age
342	or older or are disabled as determined under Section 1614(a)(3) of
343	the federal Social Security Act, as amended, and whose income does
344	not exceed one hundred thirty-five percent (135%) of the nonfarm
345	official poverty level as defined by the Office of Management and
346	Budget and revised annually, and whose resources do not exceed
347	those established by the Division of Medicaid. The eligibility of
348	individuals covered under this paragraph shall be determined by
349	the Department of Human Services with the cooperation and
350	assistance of the Division of Medicaid.
351	(12) Individuals who are qualified Medicare
352	beneficiaries (QMB) entitled to Part A Medicare as defined under
353	Section 301, Public Law 100-360, known as the Medicare

- 354 Catastrophic Coverage Act of 1988, and whose income does not
- 355 exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the nonfarm official poverty
- 356 level as defined by the Office of Management and Budget and
- 357 revised annually.
- 358 The eligibility of individuals covered under this paragraph
- 359 shall be determined by the Division of Medicaid, and those
- 360 individuals determined eligible shall receive Medicare
- 361 cost-sharing expenses only as more fully defined by the Medicare
- 362 Catastrophic Coverage Act of 1988 and the Balanced Budget Act of
- 363 1997.
- 364 (13) (a) Individuals who are entitled to Medicare Part
- 365 A as defined in Section 4501 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation
- 366 Act of 1990, and whose income does not exceed one hundred twenty
- 367 percent (120%) of the nonfarm official poverty level as defined by
- 368 the Office of Management and Budget and revised annually.
- 369 Eligibility for Medicaid benefits is limited to full payment of
- 370 Medicare Part B premiums.
- 371 (b) Individuals entitled to Part A of Medicare,
- 372 with income above one hundred twenty percent (120%), but less than
- 373 one hundred thirty-five percent (135%) of the federal poverty
- 374 level, and not otherwise eligible for Medicaid Eligibility for
- 375 Medicaid benefits is limited to full payment of Medicare Part B
- 376 premiums. The number of eligible individuals is limited by the
- 377 availability of the federal capped allocation at one hundred
- 378 percent (100%) of federal matching funds, as more fully defined in
- 379 the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.
- The eligibility of individuals covered under this paragraph
- 381 shall be determined by the Division of Medicaid.
- 382 (14) [Deleted]
- 383 (15) Disabled workers who are eligible to enroll in
- 384 Part A Medicare as required by Public Law 101-239, known as the
- 385 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989, and whose income does

not exceed two hundred percent (200%) of the federal poverty level 386 387 as determined in accordance with the Supplemental Security Income The eligibility of individuals covered under this 388 (SSI) program. 389 paragraph shall be determined by the Division of Medicaid and 390 those individuals shall be entitled to buy-in coverage of Medicare 391 Part A premiums only under the provisions of this paragraph (15). 392 In accordance with the terms and conditions of (16)393 approved Title XIX waiver from the United States Department of 394 Health and Human Services, persons provided home- and 395 community-based services who are physically disabled and certified

by the Division of Medicaid as eligible due to applying the income and deeming requirements as if they were institutionalized.

(17) In accordance with the terms of the federal

Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-193), persons who become ineligible for assistance under Title IV-A of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, because of increased income from or hours of employment of the caretaker relative or because of the expiration of the applicable earned income disregards, who were eligible for Medicaid for at least three (3) of the six (6) months preceding

the month in which the ineligibility begins, shall be eligible for Medicaid for up to twelve (12) months. The eligibility of the individuals covered under this paragraph shall be determined by

410 (18)Persons who become ineligible for assistance under Title IV-A of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, as a 411 412 result, in whole or in part, of the collection or increased collection of child or spousal support under Title IV-D of the 413 federal Social Security Act, as amended, who were eligible for 414 415 Medicaid for at least three (3) of the six (6) months immediately 416 preceding the month in which the ineligibility begins, shall be 417 eligible for Medicaid for an additional four (4) months beginning

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- 418 with the month in which the ineligibility begins. The eligibility
- 419 of the individuals covered under this paragraph shall be
- 420 determined by the division.
- 421 (19) Disabled workers, whose incomes are above the
- 422 Medicaid eligibility limits, but below two hundred fifty percent
- 423 (250%) of the federal poverty level, shall be allowed to purchase
- 424 Medicaid coverage on a sliding fee scale developed by the Division
- 425 of Medicaid.
- 426 (20) Medicaid eligible children under age eighteen (18)
- 427 shall remain eligible for Medicaid benefits until the end of a
- 428 period of twelve (12) months following an eligibility
- 429 determination, or until such time that the individual exceeds age
- 430 eighteen (18).
- 431 (21) Women of childbearing age whose family income does
- 432 not exceed one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal
- 433 poverty level. The eligibility of individuals covered under this
- 434 paragraph (21) shall be determined by the Division of Medicaid,
- 435 and those individuals determined eligible shall only receive
- 436 family planning services covered under Section 43-13-117(13) and
- 437 not any other services covered under Medicaid. However, any
- 438 individual eligible under this paragraph (21) who is also eligible
- 439 under any other provision of this section shall receive the
- 440 benefits to which he or she is entitled under that other
- 441 provision, in addition to family planning services covered under
- 442 Section 43-13-117(13).
- The Division of Medicaid shall apply to the United States
- 444 Secretary of Health and Human Services for a federal waiver of the
- 445 applicable provisions of Title XIX of the federal Social Security
- 446 Act, as amended, and any other applicable provisions of federal
- 447 law as necessary to allow for the implementation of this paragraph
- 448 (21). The provisions of this paragraph (21) shall be implemented

- from and after the date that the Division of Medicaid receives the federal waiver.
- 451 (22) Persons who are workers with a potentially severe
- 452 disability, as determined by the division, shall be allowed to
- 453 purchase Medicaid coverage. The term "worker with a potentially
- 454 severe disability" means a person who is at least sixteen (16)
- 455 years of age but under sixty-five (65) years of age, who has a
- 456 physical or mental impairment that is reasonably expected to cause
- 457 the person to become blind or disabled as defined under Section
- 458 1614(a) of the federal Social Security Act, as amended, if the
- 459 person does not receive items and services provided under
- 460 Medicaid.
- The eligibility of persons under this paragraph (22) shall be
- 462 conducted as a demonstration project that is consistent with
- 463 Section 204 of the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement
- 464 Act of 1999, Public Law 106-170, for a certain number of persons
- 465 as specified by the division. The eligibility of individuals
- 466 covered under this paragraph (22) shall be determined by the
- 467 Division of Medicaid.
- 468 (23) Children certified by the Mississippi Department
- 469 of Human Services for whom the state and county departments of
- 470 human services have custody and financial responsibility who are
- 471 in foster care on their eighteenth birthday as reported by the
- 472 Mississippi Department of Human Services shall be certified
- 473 Medicaid eligible by the Division of Medicaid until their
- 474 twenty-first birthday.
- 475 (24) Individuals who have not attained age sixty-five
- 476 (65), are not otherwise covered by creditable coverage as defined
- 477 in the Public Health Services Act, and have been screened for
- 478 breast and cervical cancer under the Centers for Disease Control
- 479 and Prevention Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program
- 480 established under Title XV of the Public Health Service Act in

- 481 accordance with the requirements of that act and who need
- 482 treatment for breast or cervical cancer. Eligibility of
- 483 individuals under this paragraph (24) shall be determined by the
- 484 Division of Medicaid.
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- The division shall redetermine eligibility for all categories
- 487 of recipients described in each paragraph of this section not less
- 488 frequently than required by federal law.
- 489 **SECTION 7.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 490 and after July 1, 2004.

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

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 43-1-1, 43-1-2, 43-1-3, 43-1-5 AND 43-1-6, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF 3 HUMAN SERVICES, PRESCRIBE ITS DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, PROVIDE 4 FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES, 5 PROVIDE FOR THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PROVIDE FOR A JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF THE 6 7 DEPARTMENT, PROVIDE THE STRUCTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT AND TRANSFER THE PROGRAMS WITHIN THE DIVISION OF FEDERAL-STATE PROGRAMS TO THE 8 DEPARTMENT, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALERS ON THOSE SECTIONS; 9 10 TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 43-1-2, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 11 EXPAND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-115, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REINSTATE MEDICAID 12 ELIGIBILITY FOR THE POVERTY LEVEL AGED OR DISABLED GROUP, AND 13 14 PROVIDE THAT ELIGIBILITY FOR THAT GROUP SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.