

By: Representative Holland

To: Public Health and Human Services; Appropriations

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 599

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID TO ALLOW CERTAIN
2 FAITH-BASED ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
3 MEDICAID ASSISTED LIVING WAIVER PROGRAM AND PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT
4 FOR ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS OF SUCH FACILITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The Division of Medicaid shall allow any
7 faith-based nonprofit corporation incorporated in the State of
8 Mississippi that constructs an assisted living facility, not
9 exceeding twenty (20) beds, near the intersection of Highway 43
10 and Goodloe Road in Madison County as a demonstration project that
11 will provide personal care, vocational, recreational, mental and
12 spiritual services to adults with all levels of mental retardation
13 throughout their lives, to participate in the Medicaid assisted
14 living waiver program, and the division shall provide
15 reimbursement for all Medicaid eligible residents of such
16 facility. The Division of Medicaid and the nonprofit corporation
17 that operates the assisted living facility shall report annually
18 on the status of the demonstration project to the House Public
19 Health and Human Services Committee, the House Medicaid Committee
20 and the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee, not later than
21 December 31 of the year.

22 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
23 and after July 1, 2006.