

**Adopted  
AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

**Senate Bill No. 2242**

**BY: Senator(s) Burton, Gordon, Nunnelee**

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

10           **SECTION 1.** Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
11 amended as follows:

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

19                   (1) Inpatient hospital services.

20                           (a) The division shall allow thirty (30) days of  
21 inpatient hospital care annually for all Medicaid recipients.  
22 Precertification of inpatient days must be obtained as required by  
23 the division. The division may allow unlimited days in  
24 disproportionate hospitals as defined by the division for eligible  
25 infants and children under the age of six (6) years if certified  
26 as medically necessary as required by the division.

27                           (b) From and after July 1, 1994, the Executive  
28 Director of the Division of Medicaid shall amend the Mississippi

29 Title XIX Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement Plan to remove the  
30 occupancy rate penalty from the calculation of the Medicaid  
31 Capital Cost Component utilized to determine total hospital costs  
32 allocated to the Medicaid program.

33 (c) Hospitals will receive an additional payment  
34 for the implantable programmable baclofen drug pump used to treat  
35 spasticity that is implanted on an inpatient basis. The payment  
36 pursuant to written invoice will be in addition to the facility's  
37 per diem reimbursement and will represent a reduction of costs on  
38 the facility's annual cost report, and shall not exceed Ten  
39 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per year per recipient.

40 (2) Outpatient hospital services.

41 (a) Emergency services. The division shall allow  
42 six (6) medically necessary emergency room visits per beneficiary  
43 per fiscal year.

44 (b) Other outpatient hospital services. The  
45 division shall allow benefits for other medically necessary  
46 outpatient hospital services (such as chemotherapy, radiation,  
47 surgery and therapy). Where the same services are reimbursed as  
48 clinic services, the division may revise the rate or methodology  
49 of outpatient reimbursement to maintain consistency, efficiency,  
50 economy and quality of care.

51 (3) Laboratory and x-ray services.

52 (4) Nursing facility services.

53 (a) The division shall make full payment to  
54 nursing facilities for each day, not exceeding fifty-two (52) days  
55 per year, that a patient is absent from the facility on home  
56 leave. Payment may be made for the following home leave days in  
57 addition to the fifty-two-day limitation: Christmas, the day  
58 before Christmas, the day after Christmas, Thanksgiving, the day  
59 before Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving.

60                   (b) From and after July 1, 1997, the division  
61 shall implement the integrated case-mix payment and quality  
62 monitoring system, which includes the fair rental system for  
63 property costs and in which recapture of depreciation is  
64 eliminated. The division may reduce the payment for hospital  
65 leave and therapeutic home leave days to the lower of the case-mix  
66 category as computed for the resident on leave using the  
67 assessment being utilized for payment at that point in time, or a  
68 case-mix score of 1.000 for nursing facilities, and shall compute  
69 case-mix scores of residents so that only services provided at the  
70 nursing facility are considered in calculating a facility's per  
71 diem.

72                   (c) From and after July 1, 1997, all state-owned  
73 nursing facilities shall be reimbursed on a full reasonable cost  
74 basis.

75                   (d) When a facility of a category that does not  
76 require a certificate of need for construction and that could not  
77 be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement is constructed to nursing  
78 facility specifications for licensure and certification, and the  
79 facility is subsequently converted to a nursing facility under a  
80 certificate of need that authorizes conversion only and the  
81 applicant for the certificate of need was assessed an application  
82 review fee based on capital expenditures incurred in constructing  
83 the facility, the division shall allow reimbursement for capital  
84 expenditures necessary for construction of the facility that were  
85 incurred within the twenty-four (24) consecutive calendar months  
86 immediately preceding the date that the certificate of need  
87 authorizing the conversion was issued, to the same extent that  
88 reimbursement would be allowed for construction of a new nursing  
89 facility under a certificate of need that authorizes that  
90 construction. The reimbursement authorized in this subparagraph  
91 (d) may be made only to facilities the construction of which was

92 completed after June 30, 1989. Before the division shall be  
93 authorized to make the reimbursement authorized in this  
94 subparagraph (d), the division first must have received approval  
95 from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) of the  
96 change in the state Medicaid plan providing for the reimbursement.

97 (e) The division shall develop and implement, not  
98 later than January 1, 2001, a case-mix payment add-on determined  
99 by time studies and other valid statistical data that will  
100 reimburse a nursing facility for the additional cost of caring for  
101 a resident who has a diagnosis of Alzheimer's or other related  
102 dementia and exhibits symptoms that require special care. Any  
103 such case-mix add-on payment shall be supported by a determination  
104 of additional cost. The division shall also develop and implement  
105 as part of the fair rental reimbursement system for nursing  
106 facility beds, an Alzheimer's resident bed depreciation enhanced  
107 reimbursement system that will provide an incentive to encourage  
108 nursing facilities to convert or construct beds for residents with  
109 Alzheimer's or other related dementia.

110 (f) The division shall develop and implement an  
111 assessment process for long-term care services. The division may  
112 provide the assessment and related functions directly or through  
113 contract with the area agencies on aging.

114 The division shall apply for necessary federal waivers to  
115 assure that additional services providing alternatives to nursing  
116 facility care are made available to applicants for nursing  
117 facility care.

118 (5) Periodic screening and diagnostic services for  
119 individuals under age twenty-one (21) years as are needed to  
120 identify physical and mental defects and to provide health care  
121 treatment and other measures designed to correct or ameliorate  
122 defects and physical and mental illness and conditions discovered  
123 by the screening services, regardless of whether these services

124 are included in the state plan. The division may include in its  
125 periodic screening and diagnostic program those discretionary  
126 services authorized under the federal regulations adopted to  
127 implement Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as  
128 amended. The division, in obtaining physical therapy services,  
129 occupational therapy services, and services for individuals with  
130 speech, hearing and language disorders, may enter into a  
131 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Education for  
132 the provision of those services to handicapped students by public  
133 school districts using state funds that are provided from the  
134 appropriation to the Department of Education to obtain federal  
135 matching funds through the division. The division, in obtaining  
136 medical and psychological evaluations for children in the custody  
137 of the State Department of Human Services may enter into a  
138 cooperative agreement with the State Department of Human Services  
139 for the provision of those services using state funds that are  
140 provided from the appropriation to the Department of Human  
141 Services to obtain federal matching funds through the division.

142 (6) Physician's services. The division shall allow  
143 twelve (12) physician visits annually. All fees for physicians'  
144 services that are covered only by Medicaid shall be reimbursed at  
145 ninety percent (90%) of the rate established on January 1, 1999,  
146 and as may be adjusted each July thereafter, under Medicare (Title  
147 XVIII of the federal Social Security Act, as amended). The  
148 division may develop and implement a different reimbursement model  
149 or schedule for physician's services provided by physicians based  
150 at an academic health care center and by physicians at rural  
151 health centers that are associated with an academic health care  
152 center.

153 (7) (a) Home health services for eligible persons, not  
154 to exceed in cost the prevailing cost of nursing facility  
155 services, not to exceed twenty-five (25) visits per year. All

156 home health visits must be precertified as required by the  
157 division.

158 (b) Repealed.

159 (8) Emergency medical transportation services. On  
160 January 1, 1994, emergency medical transportation services shall  
161 be reimbursed at seventy percent (70%) of the rate established  
162 under Medicare (Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act, as  
163 amended). "Emergency medical transportation services" shall mean,  
164 but shall not be limited to, the following services by a properly  
165 permitted ambulance operated by a properly licensed provider in  
166 accordance with the Emergency Medical Services Act of 1974  
167 (Section 41-59-1 et seq.): (i) basic life support, (ii) advanced  
168 life support, (iii) mileage, (iv) oxygen, (v) intravenous fluids,  
169 (vi) disposable supplies, (vii) similar services.

170 (9) (a) Legend and other drugs as may be determined by  
171 the division.

172 The division shall establish a mandatory preferred drug list.  
173 Drugs not on the mandatory preferred drug list shall be made  
174 available by utilizing prior authorization procedures established  
175 by the division.

176 The division may seek to establish relationships with other  
177 states in order to lower acquisition costs of prescription drugs  
178 to include single source and innovator multiple source drugs or  
179 generic drugs. In addition, if allowed by federal law or  
180 regulation, the division may seek to establish relationships with  
181 and negotiate with other countries to facilitate the acquisition  
182 of prescription drugs to include single source and innovator  
183 multiple source drugs or generic drugs, if that will lower the  
184 acquisition costs of those prescription drugs.

185 The division shall allow for a combination of prescriptions  
186 for single source and innovator multiple source drugs and generic  
187 drugs to meet the needs of the beneficiaries, not to exceed five

188 (5) prescriptions per month for each noninstitutionalized Medicaid  
189 beneficiary, with not more than two (2) of those prescriptions  
190 being for single source or innovator multiple source drugs.

191 The executive director may approve specific maintenance drugs  
192 for beneficiaries with certain medical conditions, which may be  
193 prescribed and dispensed in three-month supply increments. The  
194 executive director may allow a state agency or agencies to be the  
195 sole source purchaser and distributor of hemophilia factor  
196 medications, HIV/AIDS medications and other medications as  
197 determined by the executive director as allowed by federal  
198 regulations.

199 Drugs prescribed for a resident of a psychiatric residential  
200 treatment facility must be provided in true unit doses when  
201 available. The division may require that drugs not covered by  
202 Medicare Part D for a resident of a long-term care facility be  
203 provided in true unit doses when available. Those drugs that were  
204 originally billed to the division but are not used by a resident  
205 in any of those facilities shall be returned to the billing  
206 pharmacy for credit to the division, in accordance with the  
207 guidelines of the State Board of Pharmacy and any requirements of  
208 federal law and regulation. Drugs shall be dispensed to a  
209 recipient and only one (1) dispensing fee per month may be  
210 charged. The division shall develop a methodology for reimbursing  
211 for restocked drugs, which shall include a restock fee as  
212 determined by the division not exceeding Seven Dollars and  
213 Eighty-two Cents (\$7.82).

214 The voluntary preferred drug list shall be expanded to  
215 function in the interim in order to have a manageable prior  
216 authorization system, thereby minimizing disruption of service to  
217 beneficiaries.

218 Except for those specific maintenance drugs approved by the  
219 executive director, the division shall not reimburse for any

220 portion of a prescription that exceeds a thirty-one-day supply of  
221 the drug based on the daily dosage.

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

226 All claims for drugs for dually eligible Medicare/Medicaid  
227 beneficiaries that are paid for by Medicare must be submitted to  
228 Medicare for payment before they may be processed by the  
229 division's on-line payment system.

230 The division shall develop a pharmacy policy in which drugs  
231 in tamper-resistant packaging that are prescribed for a resident  
232 of a nursing facility but are not dispensed to the resident shall  
233 be returned to the pharmacy and not billed to Medicaid, in  
234 accordance with guidelines of the State Board of Pharmacy.

235 The division shall develop and implement a method or methods  
236 by which the division will provide on a regular basis to Medicaid  
237 providers who are authorized to prescribe drugs, information about  
238 the costs to the Medicaid program of single source drugs and  
239 innovator multiple source drugs, and information about other drugs  
240 that may be prescribed as alternatives to those single source  
241 drugs and innovator multiple source drugs and the costs to the  
242 Medicaid program of those alternative drugs.

243 Notwithstanding any law or regulation, information obtained  
244 or maintained by the division regarding the prescription drug  
245 program, including trade secrets and manufacturer or labeler  
246 pricing, is confidential and not subject to disclosure except to  
247 other state agencies.

248 (b) Payment by the division for covered  
249 multisource drugs shall be limited to the lower of the upper  
250 limits established and published by the Centers for Medicare and  
251 Medicaid Services (CMS) plus a dispensing fee, or the estimated



252 acquisition cost (EAC) as determined by the division, plus a  
253 dispensing fee, or the providers' usual and customary charge to  
254 the general public.

255 Payment for other covered drugs, other than multisource drugs  
256 with CMS upper limits, shall not exceed the lower of the estimated  
257 acquisition cost as determined by the division, plus a dispensing  
258 fee or the providers' usual and customary charge to the general  
259 public.

260 Payment for nonlegend or over-the-counter drugs covered by  
261 the division shall be reimbursed at the lower of the division's  
262 estimated shelf price or the providers' usual and customary charge  
263 to the general public.

264 The dispensing fee for each new or refill prescription,  
265 including nonlegend or over-the-counter drugs covered by the  
266 division, shall be not less than Three Dollars and Ninety-one  
267 Cents (\$3.91), as determined by the division.

268 The division shall not reimburse for single source or  
269 innovator multiple source drugs if there are equally effective  
270 generic equivalents available and if the generic equivalents are  
271 the least expensive.

272 It is the intent of the Legislature that the pharmacists  
273 providers be reimbursed for the reasonable costs of filling and  
274 dispensing prescriptions for Medicaid beneficiaries.

275 (10) (a) Dental care that is an adjunct to treatment  
276 of an acute medical or surgical condition; services of oral  
277 surgeons and dentists in connection with surgery related to the  
278 jaw or any structure contiguous to the jaw or the reduction of any  
279 fracture of the jaw or any facial bone; and emergency dental  
280 extractions and treatment related thereto. On July 1, 2007, all  
281 fees for dental care and surgery under authority of this paragraph  
282 (10) shall be increased as provided in paragraph (b). It is the

283 intent of the Legislature to encourage more dentists to  
284 participate in the Medicaid program.

285 (b) The Division of Medicaid shall establish a fee  
286 schedule, to be effective from and after July 1, 2007, for dental  
287 services. The schedule shall provide for a fee for each dental  
288 service that is referenced to the fiftieth (50th) percentile of  
289 normal and customary private provider fees, as defined by the  
290 Ingenix Customized Fee Analyzer Report, to be phased-in over a  
291 three-year period as follows: In the fiscal year beginning July  
292 1, 2007, the fee shall be forty percent (40%) less than the  
293 fiftieth (50th) percentile, in the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
294 2008, the fee shall be thirty-five percent (35%) less than the  
295 fiftieth (50th) percentile and in the fiscal year beginning July  
296 1, 2009, the fee shall be thirty percent (30%) less than the  
297 fiftieth (50th) percentile.

298 (c) The division shall establish an annual  
299 capitalization of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) in  
300 dental expenditures per Medicaid-eligible recipient.

301 (d) The division shall include dental services as  
302 a necessary component of overall health services provided to  
303 children who are eligible for services.

304 (11) Eyeglasses for all Medicaid beneficiaries who have  
305 (a) had surgery on the eyeball or ocular muscle that results in a  
306 vision change for which eyeglasses or a change in eyeglasses is  
307 medically indicated within six (6) months of the surgery and is in  
308 accordance with policies established by the division, or (b) one  
309 (1) pair every five (5) years and in accordance with policies  
310 established by the division. In either instance, the eyeglasses  
311 must be prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye  
312 or an optometrist, whichever the beneficiary may select.

313 (12) Intermediate care facility services.

314 (a) The division shall make full payment to all  
315 intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded for each  
316 day, not exceeding eighty-four (84) days per year, that a patient  
317 is absent from the facility on home leave. Payment may be made  
318 for the following home leave days in addition to the  
319 eighty-four-day limitation: Christmas, the day before Christmas,  
320 the day after Christmas, Thanksgiving, the day before Thanksgiving  
321 and the day after Thanksgiving.

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

325 (13) Family planning services, including drugs,  
326 supplies and devices, when those services are under the  
327 supervision of a physician or nurse practitioner.

328 (14) Clinic services. Such diagnostic, preventive,  
329 therapeutic, rehabilitative or palliative services furnished to an  
330 outpatient by or under the supervision of a physician or dentist  
331 in a facility that is not a part of a hospital but that is  
332 organized and operated to provide medical care to outpatients.  
333 Clinic services shall include any services reimbursed as  
334 outpatient hospital services that may be rendered in such a  
335 facility, including those that become so after July 1, 1991. On  
336 July 1, 1999, all fees for physicians' services reimbursed under  
337 authority of this paragraph (14) shall be reimbursed at ninety  
338 percent (90%) of the rate established on January 1, 1999, and as  
339 may be adjusted each July thereafter, under Medicare (Title XVIII  
340 of the federal Social Security Act, as amended). The division may  
341 develop and implement a different reimbursement model or schedule  
342 for physician's services provided by physicians based at an  
343 academic health care center and by physicians at rural health  
344 centers that are associated with an academic health care center.  
345 On July 1, 1999, all fees for dentists' services reimbursed under

346 authority of this paragraph (14) shall be increased to one hundred  
347 sixty percent (160%) of the amount of the reimbursement rate that  
348 was in effect on June 30, 1999.

349 (15) Home- and community-based services for the elderly  
350 and disabled, as provided under Title XIX of the federal Social  
351 Security Act, as amended, under waivers, subject to the  
352 availability of funds specifically appropriated for that purpose  
353 by the Legislature.

354 (16) Mental health services. Approved therapeutic and  
355 case-management services (a) provided by an approved regional  
356 mental health/retardation center established under Sections  
357 41-19-31 through 41-19-39, or by another community mental health  
358 service provider meeting the requirements of the Department of  
359 Mental Health to be an approved mental health/retardation center  
360 if determined necessary by the Department of Mental Health, using  
361 state funds that are provided from the appropriation to the State  
362 Department of Mental Health and/or funds transferred to the  
363 department by a political subdivision or instrumentality of the  
364 state and used to match federal funds under a cooperative  
365 agreement between the division and the department, or (b) provided  
366 by a facility that is certified by the State Department of Mental  
367 Health to provide therapeutic and case-management services, to be  
368 reimbursed on a fee for service basis, or (c) provided in the  
369 community by a facility or program operated by the Department of  
370 Mental Health. Any such services provided by a facility described  
371 in subparagraph (b) must have the prior approval of the division  
372 to be reimbursable under this section. After June 30, 1997,  
373 mental health services provided by regional mental  
374 health/retardation centers established under Sections 41-19-31  
375 through 41-19-39, or by hospitals as defined in Section 41-9-3(a)  
376 and/or their subsidiaries and divisions, or by psychiatric  
377 residential treatment facilities as defined in Section 43-11-1, or

378 by another community mental health service provider meeting the  
379 requirements of the Department of Mental Health to be an approved  
380 mental health/retardation center if determined necessary by the  
381 Department of Mental Health, shall not be included in or provided  
382 under any capitated managed care pilot program provided for under  
383 paragraph (24) of this section.

384 (17) Durable medical equipment services and medical  
385 supplies. Precertification of durable medical equipment and  
386 medical supplies must be obtained as required by the division.  
387 The Division of Medicaid may require durable medical equipment  
388 providers to obtain a surety bond in the amount and to the  
389 specifications as established by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

390 (18) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
391 section to the contrary, the division shall make additional  
392 reimbursement to hospitals that serve a disproportionate share of  
393 low-income patients and that meet the federal requirements for  
394 those payments as provided in Section 1923 of the federal Social  
395 Security Act and any applicable regulations. However, from and  
396 after January 1, 1999, no public hospital shall participate in the  
397 Medicaid disproportionate share program unless the public hospital  
398 participates in an intergovernmental transfer program as provided  
399 in Section 1903 of the federal Social Security Act and any  
400 applicable regulations.

401 (b) The division shall establish a Medicare Upper  
402 Payment Limits Program, as defined in Section 1902(a)(30) of the  
403 federal Social Security Act and any applicable federal  
404 regulations, for hospitals, and may establish a Medicare Upper  
405 Payments Limits Program for nursing facilities. The division  
406 shall assess each hospital and, if the program is established for  
407 nursing facilities, shall assess each nursing facility, based on  
408 Medicaid utilization or other appropriate method consistent with  
409 federal regulations. The assessment will remain in effect as long

410 as the state participates in the Medicare Upper Payment Limits  
411 Program. The division shall make additional reimbursement to  
412 hospitals and, if the program is established for nursing  
413 facilities, shall make additional reimbursement to nursing  
414 facilities, for the Medicare Upper Payment Limits, as defined in  
415 Section 1902(a)(30) of the federal Social Security Act and any  
416 applicable federal regulations.

417 (19) (a) Perinatal risk management services. The  
418 division shall promulgate regulations to be effective from and  
419 after October 1, 1988, to establish a comprehensive perinatal  
420 system for risk assessment of all pregnant and infant Medicaid  
421 recipients and for management, education and follow-up for those  
422 who are determined to be at risk. Services to be performed  
423 include case management, nutrition assessment/counseling,  
424 psychosocial assessment/counseling and health education.

425 (b) Early intervention system services. The  
426 division shall cooperate with the State Department of Health,  
427 acting as lead agency, in the development and implementation of a  
428 statewide system of delivery of early intervention services, under  
429 Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).  
430 The State Department of Health shall certify annually in writing  
431 to the executive director of the division the dollar amount of  
432 state early intervention funds available that will be utilized as  
433 a certified match for Medicaid matching funds. Those funds then  
434 shall be used to provide expanded targeted case-management  
435 services for Medicaid-eligible children with special needs who are  
436 eligible for the state's early intervention system.  
437 Qualifications for persons providing service coordination shall be  
438 determined by the State Department of Health and the Division of  
439 Medicaid.

440 (20) Home- and community-based services for physically  
441 disabled approved services as allowed by a waiver from the United

442 States Department of Health and Human Services for home- and  
443 community-based services for physically disabled people using  
444 state funds that are provided from the appropriation to the State  
445 Department of Rehabilitation Services and used to match federal  
446 funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the  
447 department, provided that funds for these services are  
448 specifically appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation  
449 Services.

450           (21) Nurse practitioner services. Services furnished  
451 by a registered nurse who is licensed and certified by the  
452 Mississippi Board of Nursing as a nurse practitioner, including,  
453 but not limited to, nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, family  
454 nurse practitioners, family planning nurse practitioners,  
455 pediatric nurse practitioners, obstetrics-gynecology nurse  
456 practitioners and neonatal nurse practitioners, under regulations  
457 adopted by the division. Reimbursement for those services shall  
458 not exceed ninety percent (90%) of the reimbursement rate for  
459 comparable services rendered by a physician.

460           (22) Ambulatory services delivered in federally  
461 qualified health centers, rural health centers and clinics of the  
462 local health departments of the State Department of Health for  
463 individuals eligible for Medicaid under this article based on  
464 reasonable costs as determined by the division.

465           (23) Inpatient psychiatric services. Inpatient  
466 psychiatric services to be determined by the division for  
467 recipients under age twenty-one (21) that are provided under the  
468 direction of a physician in an inpatient program in a licensed  
469 acute care psychiatric facility or in a licensed psychiatric  
470 residential treatment facility, before the recipient reaches age  
471 twenty-one (21) or, if the recipient was receiving the services  
472 immediately before he or she reached age twenty-one (21), before  
473 the earlier of the date he or she no longer requires the services

474 or the date he or she reaches age twenty-two (22), as provided by  
475 federal regulations. Precertification of inpatient days and  
476 residential treatment days must be obtained as required by the  
477 division.

478 (24) [Deleted]

479 (25) [Deleted]

480 (26) Hospice care. As used in this paragraph, the term  
481 "hospice care" means a coordinated program of active professional  
482 medical attention within the home and outpatient and inpatient  
483 care that treats the terminally ill patient and family as a unit,  
484 employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The  
485 program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms  
486 and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of  
487 physical, psychological, spiritual, social and economic stresses  
488 that are experienced during the final stages of illness and during  
489 dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements for  
490 participation as a hospice as provided in federal regulations.

491 (27) Group health plan premiums and cost sharing if it  
492 is cost effective as defined by the United States Secretary of  
493 Health and Human Services.

494 (28) Other health insurance premiums that are cost  
495 effective as defined by the United States Secretary of Health and  
496 Human Services. Medicare eligible must have Medicare Part B  
497 before other insurance premiums can be paid.

498 (29) The Division of Medicaid may apply for a waiver  
499 from the United States Department of Health and Human Services for  
500 home- and community-based services for developmentally disabled  
501 people using state funds that are provided from the appropriation  
502 to the State Department of Mental Health and/or funds transferred  
503 to the department by a political subdivision or instrumentality of  
504 the state and used to match federal funds under a cooperative  
505 agreement between the division and the department, provided that



506 funds for these services are specifically appropriated to the  
507 Department of Mental Health and/or transferred to the department  
508 by a political subdivision or instrumentality of the state.

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

511           (31) Targeted case-management services for children  
512 with special needs, under waivers from the United States  
513 Department of Health and Human Services, using state funds that  
514 are provided from the appropriation to the Mississippi Department  
515 of Human Services and used to match federal funds under a  
516 cooperative agreement between the division and the department.

517           (32) Care and services provided in Christian Science  
518 Sanatoria listed and certified by the Commission for Accreditation  
519 of Christian Science Nursing Organizations/Facilities, Inc.,  
520 rendered in connection with treatment by prayer or spiritual means  
521 to the extent that those services are subject to reimbursement  
522 under Section 1903 of the federal Social Security Act.

523           (33) Podiatrist services.

524           (34) Assisted living services as provided through home-  
525 and community-based services under Title XIX of the federal Social  
526 Security Act, as amended, subject to the availability of funds  
527 specifically appropriated for that purpose by the Legislature.

528           (35) Services and activities authorized in Sections  
529 43-27-101 and 43-27-103, using state funds that are provided from  
530 the appropriation to the State Department of Human Services and  
531 used to match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between  
532 the division and the department.

533           (36) Nonemergency transportation services for  
534 Medicaid-eligible persons, to be provided by the Division of  
535 Medicaid. The division may contract with additional entities to  
536 administer nonemergency transportation services as it deems  
537 necessary. All providers shall have a valid driver's license,

538 vehicle inspection sticker, valid vehicle license tags and a  
539 standard liability insurance policy covering the vehicle. The  
540 division may pay providers a flat fee based on mileage tiers, or  
541 in the alternative, may reimburse on actual miles traveled. The  
542 division may apply to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid  
543 Services (CMS) for a waiver to draw federal matching funds for  
544 nonemergency transportation services as a covered service instead  
545 of an administrative cost.

546 (37) [Deleted]

547 (38) Chiropractic services. A chiropractor's manual  
548 manipulation of the spine to correct a subluxation, if x-ray  
549 demonstrates that a subluxation exists and if the subluxation has  
550 resulted in a neuromusculoskeletal condition for which  
551 manipulation is appropriate treatment, and related spinal x-rays  
552 performed to document these conditions. Reimbursement for  
553 chiropractic services shall not exceed Seven Hundred Dollars  
554 (\$700.00) per year per beneficiary.

555 (39) Dually eligible Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries.  
556 The division shall pay the Medicare deductible and coinsurance  
557 amounts for services available under Medicare, as determined by  
558 the division.

559 (40) [Deleted]

560 (41) Services provided by the State Department of  
561 Rehabilitation Services for the care and rehabilitation of persons  
562 with spinal cord injuries or traumatic brain injuries, as allowed  
563 under waivers from the United States Department of Health and  
564 Human Services, using up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the  
565 funds that are appropriated to the Department of Rehabilitation  
566 Services from the Spinal Cord and Head Injury Trust Fund  
567 established under Section 37-33-261 and used to match federal  
568 funds under a cooperative agreement between the division and the  
569 department.

570           (42) Notwithstanding any other provision in this  
571 article to the contrary, the division may develop a population  
572 health management program for women and children health services  
573 through the age of one (1) year. This program is primarily for  
574 obstetrical care associated with low birth weight and pre-term  
575 babies. The division may apply to the federal Centers for  
576 Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for a Section 1115 waiver or  
577 any other waivers that may enhance the program. In order to  
578 effect cost savings, the division may develop a revised payment  
579 methodology that may include at-risk capitated payments, and may  
580 require member participation in accordance with the terms and  
581 conditions of an approved federal waiver.

582           (43) The division shall provide reimbursement,  
583 according to a payment schedule developed by the division, for  
584 smoking cessation medications for pregnant women during their  
585 pregnancy and other Medicaid-eligible women who are of  
586 child-bearing age.

587           (44) Nursing facility services for the severely  
588 disabled.

589           (a) Severe disabilities include, but are not  
590 limited to, spinal cord injuries, closed head injuries and  
591 ventilator dependent patients.

592           (b) Those services must be provided in a long-term  
593 care nursing facility dedicated to the care and treatment of  
594 persons with severe disabilities, and shall be reimbursed as a  
595 separate category of nursing facilities.

596           (45) Physician assistant services. Services furnished  
597 by a physician assistant who is licensed by the State Board of  
598 Medical Licensure and is practicing with physician supervision  
599 under regulations adopted by the board, under regulations adopted  
600 by the division. Reimbursement for those services shall not

601 exceed ninety percent (90%) of the reimbursement rate for  
602 comparable services rendered by a physician.

603           (46) The division shall make application to the federal  
604 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for a waiver to  
605 develop and provide services for children with serious emotional  
606 disturbances as defined in Section 43-14-1(1), which may include  
607 home- and community-based services, case-management services or  
608 managed care services through mental health providers certified by  
609 the Department of Mental Health. The division may implement and  
610 provide services under this waived program only if funds for  
611 these services are specifically appropriated for this purpose by  
612 the Legislature, or if funds are voluntarily provided by affected  
613 agencies.

614           (47) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this  
615 article to the contrary, the division, in conjunction with the  
616 State Department of Health, may develop and implement disease  
617 management programs for individuals with high-cost chronic  
618 diseases and conditions, including the use of grants, waivers,  
619 demonstrations or other projects as necessary.

620           (b) Participation in any disease management  
621 program implemented under this paragraph (47) is optional with the  
622 individual. An individual must affirmatively elect to participate  
623 in the disease management program in order to participate.

624           (c) An individual who participates in the disease  
625 management program has the option of participating in the  
626 prescription drug home delivery component of the program at any  
627 time while participating in the program. An individual must  
628 affirmatively elect to participate in the prescription drug home  
629 delivery component in order to participate.

630           (d) An individual who participates in the disease  
631 management program may elect to discontinue participation in the  
632 program at any time. An individual who participates in the

633 prescription drug home delivery component may elect to discontinue  
634 participation in the prescription drug home delivery component at  
635 any time.

636 (e) The division shall send written notice to all  
637 individuals who participate in the disease management program  
638 informing them that they may continue using their local pharmacy  
639 or any other pharmacy of their choice to obtain their prescription  
640 drugs while participating in the program.

641 (f) Prescription drugs that are provided to  
642 individuals under the prescription drug home delivery component  
643 shall be limited only to those drugs that are used for the  
644 treatment, management or care of asthma, diabetes or hypertension.

645 (48) Pediatric long-term acute care hospital services.

646 (a) Pediatric long-term acute care hospital  
647 services means services provided to eligible persons under  
648 twenty-one (21) years of age by a freestanding Medicare-certified  
649 hospital that has an average length of inpatient stay greater than  
650 twenty-five (25) days and that is primarily engaged in providing  
651 chronic or long-term medical care to persons under twenty-one (21)  
652 years of age.

653 (b) The services under this paragraph (48) shall  
654 be reimbursed as a separate category of hospital services.

655 (49) The division shall establish co-payments and/or  
656 coinsurance for all Medicaid services for which co-payments and/or  
657 coinsurance are allowable under federal law or regulation, and  
658 shall set the amount of the co-payment and/or coinsurance for each  
659 of those services at the maximum amount allowable under federal  
660 law or regulation.

661 (50) Services provided by the State Department of  
662 Rehabilitation Services for the care and rehabilitation of persons  
663 who are deaf and blind, as allowed under waivers from the United  
664 States Department of Health and Human Services to provide home-

665 and community-based services using state funds that are provided  
666 from the appropriation to the State Department of Rehabilitation  
667 Services or if funds are voluntarily provided by another agency.

668 (51) Upon determination of Medicaid eligibility and in  
669 association with annual redetermination of Medicaid eligibility,  
670 beneficiaries shall be encouraged to undertake a physical  
671 examination that will establish a base-line level of health and  
672 identification of a usual and customary source of care (a medical  
673 home) to aid utilization of disease management tools. This  
674 physical examination and utilization of these disease management  
675 tools shall be consistent with current United States Preventive  
676 Services Task Force or other recognized authority recommendations.

677 For persons who are determined ineligible for Medicaid, the  
678 division will provide information and direction for accessing  
679 medical care and services in the area of their residence.

680 (52) Notwithstanding any provisions of this article,  
681 the division may pay enhanced reimbursement fees related to trauma  
682 care, as determined by the division in conjunction with the State  
683 Department of Health, using funds appropriated to the State  
684 Department of Health for trauma care and services and used to  
685 match federal funds under a cooperative agreement between the  
686 division and the State Department of Health. The division, in  
687 conjunction with the State Department of Health, may use grants,  
688 waivers, demonstrations, or other projects as necessary in the  
689 development and implementation of this reimbursement program.

690 (53) Targeted case-management services for high-cost  
691 beneficiaries shall be developed by the division for all services  
692 under this section.

693 Notwithstanding any other provision of this article to the  
694 contrary, the division shall reduce the rate of reimbursement to  
695 providers for any service provided under this section by five  
696 percent (5%) of the allowed amount for that service. However, the

697 reduction in the reimbursement rates required by this paragraph  
698 shall not apply to inpatient hospital services, nursing facility  
699 services, intermediate care facility services, psychiatric  
700 residential treatment facility services, pharmacy services  
701 provided under paragraph (9) of this section, or any service  
702 provided by the University of Mississippi Medical Center or a  
703 state agency, a state facility or a public agency that either  
704 provides its own state match through intergovernmental transfer or  
705 certification of funds to the division, or a service for which the  
706 federal government sets the reimbursement methodology and rate.  
707 In addition, the reduction in the reimbursement rates required by  
708 this paragraph shall not apply to case-management services and  
709 home-delivered meals provided under the home- and community-based  
710 services program for the elderly and disabled by a planning and  
711 development district (PDD). Planning and development districts  
712 participating in the home- and community-based services program  
713 for the elderly and disabled as case-management providers shall be  
714 reimbursed for case-management services at the maximum rate  
715 approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

716         The division may pay to those providers who participate in  
717 and accept patient referrals from the division's emergency room  
718 redirection program a percentage, as determined by the division,  
719 of savings achieved according to the performance measures and  
720 reduction of costs required of that program. Federally qualified  
721 health centers may participate in the emergency room redirection  
722 program, and the division may pay those centers a percentage of  
723 any savings to the Medicaid program achieved by the centers'  
724 accepting patient referrals through the program, as provided in  
725 this paragraph.

726         Notwithstanding any provision of this article, except as  
727 authorized in the following paragraph and in Section 43-13-139,  
728 neither (a) the limitations on quantity or frequency of use of or

729 the fees or charges for any of the care or services available to  
730 recipients under this section, nor (b) the payments or rates of  
731 reimbursement to providers rendering care or services authorized  
732 under this section to recipients, may be increased, decreased or  
733 otherwise changed from the levels in effect on July 1, 1999,  
734 unless they are authorized by an amendment to this section by the  
735 Legislature. However, the restriction in this paragraph shall not  
736 prevent the division from changing the payments or rates of  
737 reimbursement to providers without an amendment to this section  
738 whenever those changes are required by federal law or regulation,  
739 or whenever those changes are necessary to correct administrative  
740 errors or omissions in calculating those payments or rates of  
741 reimbursement.

742 Notwithstanding any provision of this article, no new groups  
743 or categories of recipients and new types of care and services may  
744 be added without enabling legislation from the Mississippi  
745 Legislature, except that the division may authorize those changes  
746 without enabling legislation when the addition of recipients or  
747 services is ordered by a court of proper authority.

748 The executive director shall keep the Governor advised on a  
749 timely basis of the funds available for expenditure and the  
750 projected expenditures. If current or projected expenditures of  
751 the division are reasonably anticipated to exceed the amount of  
752 funds appropriated to the division for any fiscal year, the  
753 Governor, after consultation with the executive director, shall  
754 discontinue any or all of the payment of the types of care and  
755 services as provided in this section that are deemed to be  
756 optional services under Title XIX of the federal Social Security  
757 Act, as amended, and when necessary, shall institute any other  
758 cost containment measures on any program or programs authorized  
759 under the article to the extent allowed under the federal law  
760 governing that program or programs. However, the Governor shall



761 not be authorized to discontinue or eliminate any service under  
762 this section that is mandatory under federal law, or to  
763 discontinue or eliminate, or adjust income limits or resource  
764 limits for, any eligibility category or group under Section  
765 43-13-115. It is the intent of the Legislature that the  
766 expenditures of the division during any fiscal year shall not  
767 exceed the amounts appropriated to the division for that fiscal  
768 year.

769 Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, it shall  
770 be the duty of each nursing facility, intermediate care facility  
771 for the mentally retarded, psychiatric residential treatment  
772 facility, and nursing facility for the severely disabled that is  
773 participating in the Medicaid program to keep and maintain books,  
774 documents and other records as prescribed by the Division of  
775 Medicaid in substantiation of its cost reports for a period of  
776 three (3) years after the date of submission to the Division of  
777 Medicaid of an original cost report, or three (3) years after the  
778 date of submission to the Division of Medicaid of an amended cost  
779 report.

780 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
781 and after July 1, 2007.

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

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE THAT THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID SHALL ESTABLISH A FEE  
3 SCHEDULE FOR DENTAL SERVICES THAT IS REFERENCED TO THE 50TH  
4 PERCENTILE OF NORMAL AND CUSTOMARY PRIVATE PROVIDER FEES TO BE  
5 PHASED-IN OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DIVISION  
6 SHALL INCLUDE DENTAL SERVICES AS A NECESSARY COMPONENT OF OVERALL  
7 HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED TO CHILDREN WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR  
8 SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.