

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
No. 1959 Session of
1981

INTRODUCED BY PERZEL, OCTOBER 13, 1981

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, OCTOBER 13, 1981

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," providing for a fee for
4 ocular prostheses.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 443.6, act of June 13,
8 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the "Public Welfare Code," added
9 September 26, 1978 (P.L.769, No.146), is amended to read:

10 Section 443.6. Reimbursement for Certain Medical Assistance
11 Items and Services.--* * *

12 (b) Payment for the following medical assistance items and
13 services shall be made only after prior authorization has been
14 secured:

15 (1) Prostheses and orthoses.

16 (2) Purchase of appliances or equipment if the appliance or
17 equipment costs more than one hundred dollars (\$100).

18 (3) Rental of medical appliances or equipment for a period

1 in excess of three months.

2 (4) Oxygen and related equipment in the home unless a
3 physician states that the physical surroundings in the home are
4 suitable for the use of oxygen and that the recipient is
5 adequately prepared and able to use the equipment.

6 (5) Dental services as the department may provide, including
7 but not necessarily limited to, dental prostheses and
8 appliances, extractions related to dental prostheses and
9 appliances, and other extractions as may be provided by
10 department regulations.

11 (6) Orthopedic shoes or other supportive devices for the
12 feet when such shoes or devices are prescribed by a physician
13 for the purpose of correcting or otherwise treating
14 abnormalities of the feet or legs which cause serious
15 detrimental medical effects.

16 (7) The fee for ocular prostheses shall be two hundred
17 dollars (\$200).

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19 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.