

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY KELLY, RICHARDSON, OLIVER, CIANCIULLI, SALVATORE,
JOHNSON, BORSKI, O'KEEFE, HARPER, SCANLON, McLANE, RHODES,
BARBER, RIEGER, MCINTYRE AND DUMAS, FEBRUARY 21, 1978

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, FEBRUARY 21, 1978

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," further providing for
4 vision care.

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

7 Section 1. Section 443.4, act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31,
8 No.21), known as the "Public Welfare Code," amended November 28,
9 1973 (P.L.364, No.128), is amended to read:

10 Section 443.4. Additional Services for Eligible Persons
11 Other Than the Medically Needy.--Except for the medically needy,
12 persons eligible for medical assistance:

13 (1) May, pursuant to regulations of the department, also
14 receive dental services, [vision care provided by a physician
15 skilled in diseases of the eye or by an optometrist prescribed
16 medications,] prosthetics and appliances, ambulance
17 transportation, skilled nursing home care for an unlimited
18 period of time, and other remedial, palliative or therapeutic

1 services prescribed by or provided under the direction of a
2 physician or podiatrist.

3 (2) Shall, pursuant to regulations of the department,
4 receive vision care provided by a physician skilled in diseases
5 of the eye or by an optometrist.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.