

House File 463
Human Resources
Gluba, Chairman
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HOUSE FILE 463

Place On Calendar:

See Human Resources 4/1, Pass 4/23/1985 BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

Passed House, Date 4-3-75 (272) Passed Senate, Date 4-25-75 (1114)

Vote: Ayes 92 Nays 1 Vote: Ayes 40 Nays 0

Approved 5-12-75

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to remedial eye care.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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6 the department, to be in need of treatment to prevent blindness
7 or to restore eyesight and who lack sufficient income to meet
8 the cost of the remedial eye care. The department shall
9 establish eligibility requirements not inconsistent with
10 section two hundred forty-nine A point three (249A.3) of the
11 Code.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The Department of Social Services was for several years
14 authorized by 241.14 of the Code to maintain a remedial eye
15 care program. That section was repealed when the former adult
16 income maintenance programs were replaced by the present
17 federal Supplemental Security Income program. This bill
18 authorizes continuation of the Department's eye care program
19 by placing it under the Medicaid program, governed by chapter
20 249A of the Code.

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FISCAL NOTE
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Date Prepared March 14, 1975

Requested by House Human Resources Committee
Prepared in regard to H.F. 463, An Act relating to Remedial Eye
Care. Following is the fiscal effect in dollars of the legislative
proposal as required by Joint Rule 16:

No fiscal note required. The State currently appropriates
\$40,000 per year to the Department of Social Services for
this program.

FILED
MARCH 26, 1975

GERRY D. RANKIN
Legislative Fiscal Director

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DALE M. COCHRAN
Speaker of the House

ARTHUR A. NEU
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 463, Sixty-sixth General Assembly.

DAVID L. WRAY
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 5/12, 1975

ROBERT D. RAY
Governor