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Amendment No. CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Senator Bankhead moved the following amendment: 11 12 13 Senate Amendment 14 On page 15, line 28, through page 17, line 21, delete those lines 15 16 17 and insert: 18 (f) Notwithstanding any provision in this section to 19 the contrary, in the event of an action in tort against a 20 third party in which the recipient or his or her legal representative is a party which results in a and in which the 21 22 amount of any judgment, award, or settlement from a third party, third-party benefits, excluding medical coverage as 23 24 defined in subparagraph 4., after reasonable costs and 25 expenses of litigation, is an amount equal to or less than 200 26 percent of the amount of medical assistance provided by 27 Medicaid less any medical coverage paid or payable to the 28 department, then distribution of the amount recovered shall be 29 distributed as follows: 1. After attorney's fees and taxable costs as defined 30 by the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, one-half of the 31 1 1:37 PM 04/20/98 s0484c2b-08j01

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remaining recovery shall be paid to the department up to the 1 total amount of medical assistance provided by Medicaid. 2 3 The remaining amount of the recovery shall be paid 2. 4 to the recipient. 5 3. For purposes of calculating the department's 6 recovery of medical assistance benefits paid, the fee for 7 services of an attorney retained by the recipient or his or her legal representative shall be calculated at 25 percent of 8 the judgment, award, or settlement. 9 10 4. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the department shall be entitled to all medical 11 12 coverage benefits up to the total amount of medical assistance 13 provided by Medicaid. 1. Any fee for services of an attorney retained by the 14 15 recipient or his or her legal representative shall not exceed 16 an amount equal to 25 percent of the recovery, after 17 reasonable costs and expenses of litigation, from the 18 judgment, award, or settlement. 19 After attorney's fees, two-thirds of the remaining 2. recovery shall be designated for past medical care and paid to 20 21 the department for medical assistance provided by Medicaid. 22 3. The remaining amount from the recovery shall be paid to the recipient. 23 24 4. For purposes of this paragraph, "medical coverage" 25 means any benefits under health insurance, a health maintenance organization, a preferred provider arrangement, or 26 27 a prepaid health clinic, and the portion of benefits 28 designated for medical payments under coverage for workers' compensation, personal injury protection, and casualty. 29 30 31

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