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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Health Regulation (Fasano) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 2530 - 2575  
and insert:

(18) TRANSPORTATION.—Unless otherwise provided ~~for~~ in the General Appropriations Act, a provider of transportation services shall be reimbursed the lesser of the amount billed by the provider or the Medicaid maximum allowable fee established by the agency, except if ~~when~~ the agency has entered into a direct contract with the provider, or with a community transportation coordinator, for the provision of an all-inclusive service, or if ~~when~~ services are provided pursuant to



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13 an agreement negotiated between the agency and the provider. The  
14 agency, as provided for in s. 427.0135, shall purchase  
15 transportation services through the community coordinated  
16 transportation system, if available, unless the agency, after  
17 consultation with the commission, determines that it cannot  
18 reach mutually acceptable contract terms with the commission.  
19 The agency may then contract for the same transportation  
20 services provided in a more cost-effective manner and of  
21 comparable or higher quality and standards. ~~Nothing in~~

22 (a) This subsection does not ~~shall be construed to~~ limit or  
23 preclude the agency from contracting for services using a  
24 prepaid capitation rate or from establishing maximum fee  
25 schedules, individualized reimbursement policies by provider  
26 type, negotiated fees, prior authorization, competitive bidding,  
27 increased use of mass transit, or any other mechanism that the  
28 agency considers efficient and effective for the purchase of  
29 services on behalf of Medicaid clients, including implementing a  
30 transportation eligibility process.

31 (b) The agency may ~~shall not be required to~~ contract with  
32 any community transportation coordinator or transportation  
33 operator that has been determined by the agency, the Department  
34 of Legal Affairs Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, or any other state  
35 or federal agency to have engaged in any abusive or fraudulent  
36 billing activities.

37 (c) The agency shall ~~is authorized to~~ competitively procure  
38 transportation services or make other changes necessary to  
39 secure approval of federal waivers needed to permit federal  
40 financing of Medicaid transportation services at the service  
41 matching rate rather than the administrative matching rate.



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42 ~~Notwithstanding chapter 427, the agency is authorized to~~  
43 ~~continue contracting for Medicaid nonemergency transportation~~  
44 ~~services in agency service area 11 with managed care plans that~~  
45 ~~were under contract for those services before July 1, 2004.~~

46 Delete lines 4033 - 4035

47 and insert:

48 (u) Vision services for a recipient who is under age 21.

49 (v) Vision services that are medically indicated for a  
50 recipient who is 21 years of age or older.

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52 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

53 And the title is amended as follows:

54 Delete lines 88 - 92

55 and insert:

56 rate by a certain date; deleting obsolete provisions;  
57 conforming