

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 401, Page 33,
2 Section 376.973, Line 32, by inserting after all of said line the following:
3 "376.1227. 1. No contract between a health carrier or health benefit plan and an optometrist
4 for the provision of optometric services and products under a vision plan shall require that the
5 optometrist provide optometric services and products to insureds in the vision plan at a fee
6 established by the health carrier or health benefit plan if such optometric services or products are not
7 covered services or products under the vision plan.
8 2. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:
9 (1) "Covered services", services reimbursable by a health carrier or health benefit plan under
10 an applicable vision plan, subject to such contractual limitations on benefits as may apply, including
11 but not limited to deductibles, waiting periods, or frequency limitations;
12 (2) "Health benefit plan", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 376.1350;
13 (3) "Health carrier", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 376.1350;
14 (4) "Vision plan", any policy or contract of insurance which provides for coverage of vision
15 care services or products."; and
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17 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
18 accordingly.
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Action Taken _____ Date _____