April 15, 1999

S 1109. PRESC. DRUGS FUNDS. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO CERTAIN PERSONS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID AND WHO HAVE LIFE-THREATENING MEDICAL CONDITIONS.* Appropriates \$2 million for 1999-2000 and \$2 million for 2000-2001 from General Fund to DHHS, Div'n of Medical Assistance, as title indicates. Funds will be used to pay cost of prescription drugs for persons who meet the following conditions: (1) they are over age of 55, are not eligible for full Medicaid benefits, and do not receive coverage for prescription drugs under other programs, (2) they have incomes at or below 200% of federal poverty level, and (3) they have been diagnosed with life-threatening disease or condition for which the drugs have been prescribed. Effective July 1, 1999.

Intro. by Harris.

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