CHAPTER NO. 562

HOUSE BILL NO. 771

INTRODUCED BY DUSSAULT

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

IN THE HOUSE

February	13,	1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Human Services.
February	17,	1979	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February	20,	1979	Second reading, do pass.
February	21,	1979	Considered correctly engrossed.
			Third reading, passed.

IN THE SENATE

February 22, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.
March 20, 1979	Committee recommend bill be concurred in as amended. Report adopted.
March 22, 1979	Second reading, concurred in.
March 24, 1979	Third reading, concurred in as amended.

IN THE HOUSE

March 26, 1979

Returned from second house. Concurred in as amended.

Transmitted to second house.

On motion consideration passed for the day.

March 30, 1979

March 31, 1979

Second reading, amendments adopted.

Third reading, amendments adopted. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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 first-priority-shall-be--given--to--those--eligible--persons;
 enumerated--in-subsections-(2)(a)-through-(2)(f)-of-53-6-131;
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REFERENCE BILL

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT (Finance and Claims)

That House Bill No. 771, third reading bill, be amended as follows:

1. Page 1, line 21 through line 9, page 2. Strike: Subsection (2) in its entirety

Insert: "(2) If available funds are not sufficient to provide medical care for all eligible persons, the department shall have the authority to set priorities to limit, reduce, or otherwise curtail the amount, scope, or duration of the medical care and services made available."