

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 557**

**SENATE BILL NO. 152**

**By Harper, Marrero**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 1312**

**By West, Coley, Moore, Hardaway**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 50, relative to health screenings of children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004, is amended in subsection (b) by deleting the words "dental or vision screening" and by substituting instead the words "dental or eye examination", and by adding the following new subsections thereto:

(c) If the parent or guardian of a child with a need for an eye examination is unable to afford such an examination, an LEA of a county or municipality may use revenues from gifts, grants and state and local appropriations to provide such eye examinations.

(d) LEA's are encouraged to seek free or reduced-cost eye examinations from optometrists or ophthalmologists willing to donate their services for children who are unable to afford such eye examinations.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: June 12, 2007**

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 27th day of June 2007**



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PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR