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**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Hazel to Engrossed House Bill No. 527 by Representative Hoffmann

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 2, delete lines 20 through 28 in their entirety and on page 3 delete lines 1 and 2 in  
3 their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

4           "(4)(a) "Ophthalmic surgery" means a procedure upon the human eye or its  
5           adnexa in which in vivo human tissue is injected, cut, burned, frozen, sutured,  
6           vaporized, coagulated, or photodisrupted by the use of surgical instrumentation such  
7           as, but not limited to, a scalpel, cryoprobe, laser, electric cautery, or ionizing  
8           radiation. Nothing in this Chapter shall limit an optometrist's ability to use  
9           diagnostic instruments utilizing laser or ultrasound technology in the performance  
10          of primary eye care. Only ~~persons licensed to practice medicine by the Louisiana~~  
11          ~~State Board of Medical Examiners under the laws of this state~~ the following persons  
12          may perform ophthalmic surgery:

13                   (i) A person who is licensed to practice medicine by the Louisiana State  
14                   Board of Medical Examiners pursuant to R.S. 37:1261 et seq.

15                   (ii) A person who is licensed to practice optometry pursuant to the provisions  
16                   of this Chapter and who performs ophthalmic surgery according to the terms of a  
17                   collaborative practice agreement with an ophthalmologist licensed to practice  
18                   medicine by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners pursuant to R.S.  
19                   37:1261 et seq. For the purposes of this Item, "collaborative practice agreement"  
20                   means a formal written statement addressing the scope of joint management of a  
21                   patient's eye care by an optometrist and an ophthalmologist."