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HOUSE BILL NO. 1491

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES WALTON (Sponsor), JACKSON, SANDERS BROOKS, BAKER (25), LAMPE, DEMPSEY, MOORE, AVERY, CUNNINGHAM (145), FAITH, WALLACE, JOHNSON (61) AND BOYKINS (Co-sponsors).

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Perfected by Consent March 10, 2006.

STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to medical assistance.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 208.143, to read as follows:

208.143. 1. The family support division shall, in accordance with the provisions of section 208.215, determine whether persons applying for and/or receiving Medicaid benefits are eligible for medical services from the Missouri veterans commission. If an applicant or recipient is eligible for such VA medical services, the division shall urge and encourage the applicant or recipient to receive medical services as a person eligible for VA benefits. Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring an applicant or recipient of medical assistance benefits to exhaust any VA benefits prior to receipt of any state medical assistance benefits.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

9 **2. The family support division shall consult with the Missouri veterans commission**
10 **regarding a method of determining whether an applicant or recipient of state medical**
11 **assistance benefits is eligible for VA benefits.**

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