



HB 1037 Puts Patients at Risk. ACT NOW!

Eye Surgery by Non-MDs? Seriously?

- **Yes, Seriously!** The Florida Legislature is now considering **HB 1037** which would allow, **optometrists—who are not medical doctors or trained surgeons—to perform laser and scalpel surgery on your eyes and the eyes of your loved ones!**
- **Who would you want performing delicate eye surgery on your eyes?**
 - An ophthalmologist (medical eye doctor and surgeon) with a minimum of eight years of post-college medical education and surgical training?
 - Or an optometrist—who is trained to provide basic vision care services, but hasn't even gone to medical school or completed a surgical residency?

**For the Safety and Health of
Your Eyes—and the Eyes of Your Loved Ones:**

**Please Call the Members of the House Health Quality Subcommittee
(Contact Information Attached)**

Ask the Representative to reject this dangerous legislation, and to:

Vote “NO” on HB 1037!

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