Elimination of Non-Federally Mandated Benefits

Summary
This legislation eliminates all Medical Assistance benefits not mandated by the federal government. The chronically needy General Assistance recipient would continue to receive federally mandated Medical Assistance coverage. All optional services would no longer be made available.

Model Legislation
Section 1. (Title.)
Section 2. (Definitions.)
Section 3. (Restrictions on Medical Assistance Services.) Notwithstanding any provision of this act to the contrary, on and after (insert date), Medical Assistance services for eligible recipients, including chronically needy General Assistance recipients, shall be limited solely to those Medical Assistance services required to be provided by federal law or regulation.
Section 4. (Severability clause.)
Section 5. (Repealer clause.)
Section 6. (Effective date.)

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Center for Media and Democracy's quick summary
This model law would prohibit a state from providing medical services in their Medicaid programs that are not mandated by the federal government. Many states provide medical coverage that exceeds federal minimums, so such a law would deny needed medical services to those who qualify for their state's Medicaid program.