Less than half of parishes have Ophthalmologists, but nearly every parish has an Optometrist.
The facts are Doctors of Optometry have performed the types of procedures authorized by HB 1065 and SB 568 on over 25,000 patients in other states without a complaint.

HB 1065 and SB 568 will allow Doctors of Optometry to utilize skills acquired during 8 years of education and training.
Studies by the federal government show increasingly significant shortages in access to these procedures in the near future. We have Doctors of Optometry in Louisiana who are trained to do these procedures, and have done so safely and effectively for years in other states.
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- Safeguards Are In Place.
  Only Doctors of Optometry who get specific additional hands-on experience and training by a school of optometry will be allowed to do these procedures. No one is grandfathered in.

- Support is Widespread and Growing.
  Letters of support have come from the AARP, the Louisiana Rural Hospital Coalition, the Louisiana Primary Care Association, Louisiana Nursing Home Association, members of the National Commission on Vision and Health as well as from several ophthalmologists.

Please Support HB 1065 and SB 568

Members of the National Commission on Vision and Health

Optometry Association of Louisiana