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Please do not limit my rights to receive a copy of my contact lens prescription. I have worn glasses since 4th grade and I am 49 years old. I had a full eye exam in 1999 to update an expired prescription. I paid the Dr. \$150 and expected a prescription to take to the place of my choice to have it filled. I was told that I could not have the prescription that I paid for and that I could only have it filled by this Dr.s office and the price was substantially more than I knew I would pay elsewhere for the same name brand. Needless to say, I left with no prescription and I could not afford the price he was asking. So, I did not get new contact lenses. I had to wear my old contacts way past the time that they should have been replaced. I risked the safety and health of my VISION! It took me a year to find a Dr. who would give me what I had a right to - my prescription. I would not have paid the initial Dr. for the eye exam if I was informed in! advance that I would not get my prescription. I have -3.50 prescription and am considered blind without corrective lenses. I am a letter carrier and thick, heavy glasses impair my abilities, ie: summer they are too heay and require constant "push-up on th nose" winter they fog so bad going from outdoor to indoor as rapidly as I do in delivering the mail. I am a tax paying consumer and I want to have my right to shop around for the best price that I am entitled!

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