97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/23/2011, by Rep. Bill Mitchell

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 170/20

Amends the Covering ALL KIDS Health Insurance Act. Provides that a child is not eligible for coverage under the Covering ALL KIDS Health Insurance Program if he or she is an undocumented immigrant.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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AN ACT concerning insurance.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Covering ALL KIDS Health Insurance Act is 5 amended by changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 170/20)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2016)

8 Sec. 20. Eligibility.

9 (a) To be eligible for the Program, a person must be a 10 child:

(1) who is a resident of the State of Illinois;

12 (2) who is ineligible for medical assistance under the
13 Illinois Public Aid Code or benefits under the Children's
14 Health Insurance Program Act;

(3) either (i) who has been without health insurance 15 16 coverage for 12 months, (ii) whose parent has lost 17 employment that made available affordable dependent health coverage, until such 18 insurance time as affordable 19 employer-sponsored dependent health insurance coverage is again available for the child as set forth by the 20 21 Department in rules, (iii) who is a newborn whose 22 responsible relative does not have available affordable private or employer-sponsored health insurance, or (iv) 23

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who, within one year of applying for coverage under this Act, lost medical benefits under the Illinois Public Aid Code or the Children's Health Insurance Program Act; and

4 (3.5) whose household income, as determined by the
5 Department, is at or below 300% of the federal poverty
6 level. This item (3.5) is effective July 1, 2011.

7 An entity that provides health insurance coverage (as 8 defined in Section 2 of the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan 9 Act) to Illinois residents shall provide health insurance data 10 match to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services as 11 provided by and subject to Section 5.5 of the Illinois 12 Insurance Code.

13 Department of Healthcare and Family Services, The in 14 collaboration with the Department of Insurance, shall adopt 15 rules governing the exchange of information under this Section. 16 The rules shall be consistent with all laws relating to the 17 confidentiality or privacy of personal information or medical records, including provisions under Federal 18 the Health 19 Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

(b) The Department shall monitor the availability and retention of employer-sponsored dependent health insurance coverage and shall modify the period described in subdivision (a) (3) if necessary to promote retention of private or employer-sponsored health insurance and timely access to healthcare services, but at no time shall the period described in subdivision (a) (3) be less than 6 months. - 3 - LRB097 10846 RPM 51341 b

1 (c) The Department, at its discretion, may take into 2 account the affordability of dependent health insurance when 3 determining whether employer-sponsored dependent health 4 insurance coverage is available upon reemployment of a child's 5 parent as provided in subdivision (a) (3).

6 (d) A child who is determined to be eligible for the 7 Program shall remain eligible for 12 months, provided that the 8 child maintains his or her residence in this State, has not yet 9 attained 19 years of age, and is not excluded under subsection 10 (e).

11 (e) A child is not eligible for coverage under the Program 12 if:

13 (1) the premium required under Section 40 has not been 14 timely paid; if the required premiums are not paid, the 15 liability of the Program shall be limited to benefits 16 incurred under the Program for the time period for which 17 premiums have been paid; re-enrollment shall be completed before the next covered medical visit, and the first 18 19 month's required premium shall be paid in advance of the 20 next covered medical visit; or

21 (2) the child is an inmate of a public institution or 22 an institution for mental diseases; or -

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(3) the child is an undocumented immigrant.

(f) The Department may adopt rules, including, but not limited to: rules regarding annual renewals of eligibility for the Program in conformance with Section 7 of this Act; rules

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1 providing for re-enrollment, grace periods, notice 2 requirements, and hearing procedures under subdivision (e)(1) 3 of this Section; and rules regarding what constitutes availability and affordability of 4 private or 5 employer-sponsored health insurance, with consideration of 6 such factors as the percentage of income needed to purchase children or family health insurance, the availability of 7 8 employer subsidies, and other relevant factors.

9 (q) Each child enrolled in the Program as of July 1, 2011 10 whose family income, as established by the Department, exceeds 11 300% of the federal poverty level may remain enrolled in the 12 Program for 12 additional months commencing July 1, 2011. 13 Continued enrollment pursuant to this subsection shall be 14 available only if the child continues to meet all eligibility 15 criteria established under the Program as of the effective date 16 of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly without a 17 break in coverage. Nothing contained in this subsection shall prevent a child from qualifying for any other health benefits 18 19 program operated by the Department.

20 (Source: P.A. 96-1272, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1501, eff. 1-25-11.)

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