

Floor Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Amend C.S.S.B. 1, as follows:

**Contingency Authorization for Twelve Months Continuous Eligibility for Medicaid Children.**

- a. The Health and Human Services Commission is hereby authorized to expend funds appropriated below to provide for a period of twelve months continuous eligibility for Medicaid children contingent upon the following two conditions:
- (1) Enactment of legislation by the Eighty-first Legislature providing the authority to expand this health care coverage to Medicaid children, and
  - (2) The federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) match rate associated with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for the period September 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010 increases to a Tier Two level or higher at any time during this 15 month period.
    - (i) The Tier Two estimated federal match rate would be 69.85 percent.
    - (ii) This additional federal match received would free up an amount of general revenue equal to the additional federal funds received.
    - (iii) As an exception to the requirement of obtaining prior approval in Article II, Special Provisions, Section 7, the Health and Human Services Commission is hereby authorized to expend any general revenue freed up in any Article II agency as a result of an increasing stimulus FMAP rate for the purpose of providing 12 months continuous eligibility in Goal B. Medicaid.
- b. The Health and Human Services Commission is required to notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor within 30 days of an FMAP increase and provide the following information:
- (1) The implementation date of providing the 12 months continuous eligibility period.
  - (2) An estimate of the stimulus FMAP gain by agency and strategy by federal quarter.
  - (3) An updated estimate of caseload and costs associated with providing 12 months continuous eligibility for each year of the 2010-11 biennium.
  - (4) An updated estimate of the caseload and costs associated with providing 12 months continuous eligibility for each year of the 2012-13 biennium.
- c. The Health and Human Services Commission is authorized to obtain any necessary federal approval to implement this coverage.
- d. The authorization for expenditure of funds for 12 months continuous eligibility provided by this section shall be in effect only for the time period the funding source described in paragraph a.(2) above remains in effect

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