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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
117TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1277, L.D. 1753, Bill, "An Act to Control Health Care Costs and Improve Access to Health Care"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Provide Health Care Coverage for Children'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-G, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 502, Pt. A, §72, is amended to read:

1. Delivery of services. The department shall provide for the delivery of federally approved Medicaid services to qualified pregnant women up to 60 days following delivery ~~and infants up to one year of age~~ when the woman's ~~or child's~~ family income is below 185% of the nonfarm income official poverty line and ~~children under 5 years of age and;~~ to qualified elderly and disabled persons, when the ~~child's or~~ person's family income is below 100% of the nonfarm income official poverty line; to children under 7 years of age when the child's family income is below 185% of the nonfarm income official poverty line; and to children age 7 but under the age of 19 when the child's family income is below 133% of the nonfarm income official poverty line. The official poverty line shall ~~must~~ be that applicable to a family of the size involved, as defined by the Federal Office of Management and Budget and revised annually in accordance with the United States Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981, Section 673, Subsection 2. These services shall ~~be~~ are effective October 1, 1988.

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Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3174-G, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Managed care. The department shall provide services to children under age 19 under this section through a managed care system.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1996-97

**HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Medical Care - Payments to Providers**

All Other \$1,200,000

Provides for the appropriation of funds to support the state share of costs associated with the Medicaid expansion for children.

Sec. 4. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Federal Expenditure Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1996-97

**HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Medical Care - Payments to Providers**

All Other \$2,098,515

Provides for the allocation of funds to support the federal share of costs associated with the Medicaid expansion for children.

Sec. 5. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 15, 1996.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

General Fund	\$1,200,000
Other Funds	2,098,515

REVENUES

Other Funds	\$2,098,515
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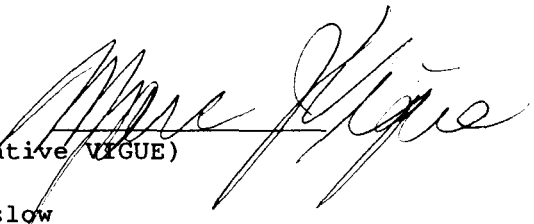
This bill provides General Fund appropriations of \$1,200,000 and Federal Expenditure Fund allocations of \$2,098,515 in fiscal year 1996-97 to the Department of Human Services to extend Medicaid eligibility to an additional number of children.

The actual amount of additional funding required by the Department of Human Services will depend on the date of federal approval and on the actual number of children that enroll.'

SUMMARY

This amendment extends Medicaid coverage to children under the age of 7 whose family income is below 185% of the nonfarm income poverty line and children age 7 but under the age of 19 whose family income is below 133% of the nonfarm income poverty line. It provides that all Medicaid to children is through managed care. This Medicaid expansion is funded through the General Fund.

The amendment adds an appropriation section and an allocation section. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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