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## An Act to Make Changes to the Cub Care Program.

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**GOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk** 

Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

2 Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3174-T, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1999, c. 401, Pt. QQ,  $\S1$  and affected by  $\S5$ , is further amended by 4 amending the first paragraph to read: б 2. Eligibility; enrollment. Health coverage under the Cub 8 Care program is available to children ene-year-of-age-or-ofder and under 19 years of age whose family income is above the eligibility level for Medicaid under section 3174-G and below the 10 maximum eligibility level established under paragraphs A and B, who meet the requirements set forth in paragraph C and for whom 12 premiums are paid under subsection 5. 14 Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §3174-T, sub-§5, ¶A, as reallocated by RR 16 1997, c. 2,  $\S46$ , is amended to read: 18 Premiums must be paid at the beginning of each month for Α. coverage for that month according to the following scale: 20 (1) Families with incomes between 150% and 160% of the 22 nonfarm income official poverty line pay premiums of 5% of the benefit cost per child, but not more than 5% of the cost for 2 children; 24 26 (2) Families with incomes between 160% and 170% of the nonfarm income official poverty line pay premiums of 28 10% of the benefit cost per child, but not more than 10% of the cost for 2 children; and 30 (3) Families with incomes between 170% and 185% of the 32 nonfarm income official poverty line must pay premiums of 15% of the benefit cost per child, but not more than 15% of the cost for 2 children,; and 34 36 (4) Families with incomes between 185% and 200% of the nonfarm income official poverty line must pay premiums 38 of 20% of the benefit cost per child, but not more than 20% of the cost for 2 children. 40 **SUMMARY** 42 44 This bill makes the following changes to the laws governing the Cub Care program. It allows the program to serve children who have not attained one year of age and sets premiums for 46 families with incomes between 185% and 200% of the nonfarm income official poverty line. 48