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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
120TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1497, L.D. 2000, "Resolve, Directing the Department of Human Services to Apply for a Federal Waiver to Provide Medicaid Benefits to Uninsured Residents with a Diagnosis of Cancer"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 1 by striking out all of paragraph B.

Further amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 1 in paragraph C in the first line (page 1, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "400%" and inserting in its place the following: '250%'

Further amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 1 by relettering the paragraphs to read consecutively.

Further amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraphs G and H.

Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The additional costs associated with applying for a federal waiver to establish a Medicaid cancer program can be absorbed by the Bureau of Medical Services in the Department of Human Services utilizing existing budgeted resources.

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2 Coverage under this new program can not begin until the
3 federal waiver has been approved by the Federal Government and
4 the Legislature has approved the program and appropriated
5 funding for this expanded coverage.'

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SUMMARY

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10 This amendment removes from the Medicaid cancer program the
11 requirement of 6 months' residency, reduces the income limitation
12 to 250% of the federal poverty level, removes the definition of
13 "inadequate insurance coverage" and removes the requirement of
14 repayment to the State. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to
the resolve.