



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY
State of Illinois
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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 106/5

Amends the Children's Health Insurance Program Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the legislative intent of the Act.

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1 AN ACT concerning health insurance.

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

4 Section 5. The Children's Health Insurance Program Act is
5 amended by changing Section 5 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 106/5)

7 Sec. 5. Legislative intent. The General Assembly finds
8 that, for the economic and social benefit of all citizens of
9 the State of Illinois, it is important to enable low-income
10 children of this State, to the extent funding permits, to
11 access health benefits coverage, especially preventive health
12 care. The General Assembly recognizes that assistance to help
13 families purchase health benefits for low-income children must
14 be provided in a fair and equitable fashion and must treat all
15 children at the same income level in a similar fashion. The
16 State of Illinois should help low-income families transition
17 from a health care system where government partners with
18 families to provide health benefits to low-income children to a
19 system where families with higher incomes eventually
20 transition into private or employer based health plans. This
21 Act is not intended to create an entitlement.

22 (Source: P.A. 90-736, eff. 8-12-98.)