

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2005 and 2006

## SB0916

Introduced 2/18/2005, by Sen. William R. Haine - Emil Jones, Jr.

## 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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AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

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

#### (215 ILCS 106/5) 6

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

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