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## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

To repeal sections 208.633 and 208.640, RSMo 2000, relating to health care for uninsured children, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to the same subject, with an emergency clause.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Sections 208.633 and 208.640, RSMo 2000, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 208.633 and 208.640, to read as follows:

208.633. **1. For enrollees participating in the program prior to July 1, 2001,** the department of social services is authorized to pay for coverage of health care services for uninsured children whose parents or guardians have an available income between zero percent and one hundred eighty-five percent, between one hundred eighty-six percent and two hundred twenty-five percent, between two hundred twenty-six percent and two hundred fifty percent, between two hundred fifty-one percent and two hundred seventy-five percent and between two hundred seventy-six percent and three hundred percent of the federal poverty level, subject to appropriation.

**2. For all new enrollees to the program on or after July 1, 2001, the department of social services is authorized to pay for coverage of health care services for uninsured children whose parents or guardians have an available income between zero percent and two hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level, subject to appropriations.**

208.640. **1. For enrollees participating in the program prior to July 1, 2001,** parents and guardians of uninsured children with available incomes between one hundred eighty-six percent and two hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level are responsible for a five dollar co-payment. **For all new enrollees to the program on or after July 1, 2001,**

5 **parents and guardians of uninsured children with available incomes between one hundred**  
6 **fifty-one percent and one hundred eighty-five percent of the federal poverty level are**  
7 **responsible for a five dollar co-payment.**

8       2. **For enrollees participating in the program prior to July 1, 2001,** parents and  
9 guardians of uninsured children with incomes between two hundred twenty-six **percent** and three  
10 hundred percent of the federal poverty level who do not have access to affordable  
11 employer-sponsored health care insurance or other affordable health care coverage may obtain  
12 coverage pursuant to this subsection. **For all new enrollees to the program on or after July**  
13 **1, 2001, parents and guardians of uninsured children with incomes between one hundred**  
14 **eighty-six percent and two hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level who**  
15 **do not have access to affordable employer-sponsored health care insurance or other**  
16 **affordable health care coverage may obtain coverage pursuant to this subsection.** For the  
17 purposes of sections 208.631 to 208.657, "affordable employer-sponsored health care insurance  
18 or other affordable health care coverage" refers to health insurance requiring a monthly premium  
19 less than or equal to one hundred thirty-three percent of the monthly average premium **by region**  
20 required in the state's current Missouri consolidated health care plan. The parents and guardians  
21 of eligible uninsured children pursuant to this subsection are responsible for co-payments equal  
22 to the average co-payments required in the current Missouri consolidated health care plan  
23 rounded to the nearest dollar, and a monthly premium equal to the average premium **by region**  
24 required for the Missouri consolidated health care plan; provided that the total aggregate cost  
25 sharing for a family covered by these sections shall not exceed five percent of such family's  
26 income for the years involved. No co-payments or other cost sharing is permitted with respect  
27 to benefits for well-baby and well-child care including age-appropriate immunizations.  
28 Cost-sharing provisions pursuant to sections 208.631 to 208.657 shall not exceed the limits  
29 established by 42 U.S.C. Section 1397cc(e).

Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to ensure the availability of the  
2 children's health insurance program section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate  
3 preservation of the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby declared to be an  
4 emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and section A of this act shall be in full  
5 force and effect on July 1, 2001, or upon its passage and approval, whichever later occurs.