

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 377 Session of 2001

INTRODUCED BY GEORGE, THOMAS, ROBINSON, BELARDI, WOJNAROSKI, M. COHEN, CRUZ, HERMAN, COSTA, LAUGHLIN, SURRA, CAWLEY, FREEMAN, FRANKEL, MELIO, TRELLO, SOLOBAY, ORIE, KENNEY, CURRY, BELFANTI, HORSEY, CALTAGIRONE, STURLA, TRICH, ROONEY, SAINATO, WALKO, DERMODY, EACHUS, STABACK, L. I. COHEN, YOUNGBLOOD, GRUCELA, SHANER, JOSEPHS, STEELMAN, ROBERTS, COY, DeLUCA AND BISHOP, JANUARY 31, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, JANUARY 31, 2001

AN ACT

1 Expanding eligibility for certain free or subsidized health care
2 services; and making an appropriation.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Health care services.

6 An individual receiving free or subsidized health care
7 services under Article XXIII of the act of May 17, 1921
8 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921,
9 on the date of the individual's 18th birthday shall continue to
10 be eligible for free or subsidized health care services under
11 that act until such time as the individual reaches his 22nd
12 birthday if all of the following apply:

13 (1) The individual is otherwise eligible under Article
14 XXIII of The Insurance Company Law of 1921 for free or
15 subsidized health care services.

1 (2) The individual has a serious life-threatening
2 illness or a disability.

3 (3) The individual is not eligible for or receiving
4 Medicaid, Medicare or Social Security disability benefits.

5 Section 2. Appropriation.

6 The sum of \$5,000,000 is hereby appropriated from the moneys
7 received by the Commonwealth from the Master Settlement
8 Agreement to the Department of Insurance for the purpose of
9 funding the benefits provided for in this act.

10 Section 3. Effective date.

11 This act shall take effect in 60 days.