

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 2072

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE PICKETT

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 1 through 13, by striking out all
2 of said lines and inserting
3 Providing for payment of delinquent Children's Health Insurance
4 Program premium balances.

5 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 16 through 23; page 2, lines 1
6 through 11; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and
7 inserting

8 Section 1. Short title.

9 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Payment of
10 Delinquent Children's Health Insurance Program Premium Balances
11 Act.

12 Section 2. Definitions.

13 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
14 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
15 context clearly indicates otherwise:

16 "Children's Health Insurance Program." The program for
17 comprehensive health care for uninsured children under Article
18 XXIII-A of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as
19 The Insurance Company Law of 1921.

20 "Contractor." As defined in section 2301-A of The Insurance
21 Company Law of 1921.

22 "Department." The Department of Human Services of the
23 Commonwealth.

24 "Enrollee." An enrollee under Article XXIII-A of The
25 Insurance Company Law of 1921.

26 Section 3. Payment of delinquent premium balances.

27 (a) Request.--Notwithstanding section 111-C of the act of
28 April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, a
29 contractor may submit a written request to the department for
30 payment of delinquent Children's Health Insurance Program
31 premium balances of enrollees from Federal money received by the
32 Commonwealth through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund
33 during any of the following periods:

34 (1) From March 1, 2020, to June 30, 2020.

35 (2) From July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021.

1 (3) From July 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021.

2 (b) Forms.--The department shall develop a form to be used
3 by a contractor requesting payment under this section. The
4 following apply:

5 (1) The form must require sufficient information for the
6 department to verify the amount of the requested payment.

7 (2) If necessary, the department may require supporting
8 documentation from the contractor.

9 (c) Submittal.--To be eligible to receive payment of
10 delinquent premium balances under this section, the contractor
11 must complete the form under subsection (b) and submit the form
12 to the department within 90 days of the effective date of this
13 section in addition to any other supporting documentation
14 requested by the department for the purpose of verifying the
15 amount of the requested payment.

16 (d) Payment.--To the extent that money is available, the
17 department shall make payment to the contractor for the amount
18 of delinquent premium balances verified by the department in
19 accordance with this section.

20 (e) Certification and appropriation.--

21 (1) Within 120 days of the effective date of this
22 section, the department shall calculate the aggregate amount
23 of contractor payment requests verified as accurate and
24 appropriate.

25 (2) The Secretary of the Budget shall certify to the
26 General Assembly the calculation under paragraph (1).

27 (3) Money certified under paragraph (2) is appropriated
28 to the department from the COVID-19 Response Restricted
29 Account for the payment of delinquent premium balances in
30 accordance with this act.

31 Section 4. Effective date.

32 This act shall take effect in 30 days.