HOUSE AMENDMENT

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Amendment No. ____ (for drafter's use only) CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 Representative(s) Greenstein, Sobel, Frankel, Ausley, Brutus, 11 Bucher, Bullard, Cusack, Gannon, Gelber, Henriquez, Holloway, 12 13 Jennings, Joyner, Justice, Kosmas, Lee, Lerner, McGriff, 14 Meadows, Peterman, Richardson, Romeo, Ryan, Seiler, Siplin, 15 Weissman, Wiles and Wishner offered the following: 16 Amendment to Senate Amendment (334074) (with title 17 18 amendment) 19 On page 39, between lines 8 and 9, 20 21 insert: 22 Section 21. (1)(a) The Department of Children and 23 Family Services may provide by rule that persons who become or 24 became unemployed after September 11, 2001, who are not 25 eligible for insurance coverage under the Consolidated Omnibus 26 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) shall be eligible 27 for Medicaid coverage. (b) This subsection shall take effect on the effective 28 29 date of federal legislation authorizing the expansion of 30 Medicaid coverage to persons who become or became unemployed 31 after September 11, 2001, if such federal legislation provides 1 File original & 9 copies hmo0006 12/06/01 10:46 am C0029-0095-864883

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for enhanced federal Medicaid matching rates and provides 1 2 sufficient funding so the state incurs no costs to implement 3 this act over the 2001-2002 fiscal year. 4 (2)(a) For persons who become or became unemployed 5 after September 11, 2001, who are eligible for insurance 6 coverage under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation 7 Act of 1985 (COBRA) but who are unable to afford the premium, 8 the state may subsidize up to 25 percent of the premium. 9 (b) This subsection shall take effect on the effective 10 date of federal legislation authorizing a 75 percent premium 11 subsidy for persons eligible for COBRA insurance coverage who 12 become or became unemployed after September 11, 2001, if such 13 federal legislation provides for enhanced federal Medicaid 14 matching rates and provides sufficient funding so the state 15 incurs no costs to implement this act over the 2001-2002 16 fiscal year. 17 (3) This section is repealed effective December 31, 18 2002. 19 20 21 22 And the title is amended as follows: On page 41, line 16, after the semicolon, 23 24 25 insert: authorizing the Department of Children and 26 27 Family Services to provide Medicaid eligibility by rule to certain unemployed persons; 28 29 authorizing the state to provide a COBRA 30 insurance premium subsidy to certain unemployed 31 persons; providing for future repeal; 2 File original & 9 copies 12/06/01

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