
**Health Care & Wellness
Committee**

HJM 4016

Brief Description: Requesting that Congress reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

Sponsors: Representatives Seaquist, Hinkle, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Priest, Anderson, Wood, Hankins, Quall, Cody, Appleton, Morrell, Green, Kelley, Schual-Berke, Hasegawa, Rolfes, Campbell, Ericks, Kenney, VanDeWege, Conway, Goodman, Simpson and Linville.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Requests Congress to reauthorize funding for the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

Hearing Date: 2/21/07

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

Congress enacted the State Children's Health Insurance Program to provide health coverage to low-income children without health insurance living in households whose income exceeds the Medicaid eligibility level. If Congress does not reauthorize the program, federal funding for this program will end.

Summary of Bill:

Congress is requested to reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program and appropriate sufficient funds to cover all eligible children.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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