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By Representatives Seaquist, Hinkle, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Priest,  
Anderson, Wood, Hankins, Quall and Cody

Read first time . Referred to .

1            TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
2            AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
3            REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4            UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND THE SECRETARY OF THE  
5            DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:

6            We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of  
7            the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully  
8            represent and petition as follows:

9            WHEREAS, The State Children's Health Insurance Program was  
10           established to cover low-income children without health insurance in  
11           families with incomes that exceed levels of what qualified a child for  
12           Medicaid coverage; and

13           WHEREAS, The Program has allowed for a streamlining of the child  
14           health application and enrollment processes, enabling more efficient  
15           use of federal and state dollars and providing a number of options to  
16           help assist children; and

17           WHEREAS, The Program has been resoundingly successful in providing  
18           health insurance for these children; and

19           WHEREAS, The Program needs to be reauthorized by the federal

1 government in order for the Program to continue operating and serving  
2 millions of children;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that Congress  
4 reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program, and  
5 appropriate sufficient funds to cover all children eligible for the  
6 program.

7 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
8 transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United  
9 States, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and  
10 Human Services, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker  
11 of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the  
12 State of Washington.

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