

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 14, 2026
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1411 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 2, line 3, strike "(1)" and substitute "(1);
2 and **add** (3.5)".

3 Page 3, after line 13 insert:

4 "(I) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, THEY ARE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL
5 CAP ON DENTAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY
6 DOLLARS;"

7 Renumber succeeding subparagraphs accordingly.

8 Page 4, after line 8 insert:

9 "(3.5) (a) FOR THE 2026-27 STATE FISCAL YEAR, ENROLLMENT IN
10 STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE OF CHILDREN UNDER NINETEEN YEARS OLD
11 WHOSE FAMILY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DOES NOT EXCEED TWO HUNDRED
12 SIXTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LINE, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY
13 SIZE, AND WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
14 PROGRAM DUE TO THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS, IS SUBJECT TO AN
15 ENROLLMENT CAP OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING
16 CONDITIONS IS MET:

17 (I) ENROLLMENT OF THE CHILDREN DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION
18 (3.5)(a) IN STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE EXCEEDS TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND
19 CHILDREN; OR

20 (II) EXPENDITURES FOR A FISCAL QUARTER OF THE 2026-27 STATE
21 FISCAL YEAR EXCEED ONE QUARTER OF THE APPROPRIATION FOR STATE
22 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PLUS FIVE PERCENT TO ACCOUNT FOR COST
23 FLUCTUATIONS DUE TO SEASONALITY.

24 (b) IF A CONDITION DETAILED IN SUBSECTION (3.5)(a) OF THIS
25 SECTION IS MET, THE STATE DEPARTMENT MUST CAP THE ENROLLMENT OF

1 THE CHILDREN DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3.5)(a) OF THIS SECTION AT
2 TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND CHILDREN BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE
3 MONTH FOLLOWING SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT
4 DETERMINES THAT A CONDITION DETAILED IN SUBSECTION (3.5)(a) OF THIS
5 SECTION IS MET.

6 (c) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT RULES NECESSARY TO
7 IMPLEMENT THE ENROLLMENT CAP DETAILED IN THIS SUBSECTION (3.5).

8 (d) ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2026, THE STATE DEPARTMENT
9 SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE DETAILING
10 WHAT IS DRIVING ENROLLMENT AND UTILIZATION OF STATE MEDICAL
11 ASSISTANCE BY CHILDREN WHO ARE UNDER NINETEEN YEARS OLD WHOSE
12 FAMILY HOUSEHOLD INCOME DOES NOT EXCEED TWO HUNDRED SIXTY
13 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LINE, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE, AND
14 WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM DUE TO
15 THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE STRATEGIES FOR
16 REDUCING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ENROLLING THESE CHILDREN IN STATE
17 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE."

18 Strike pages 18 through 22.

19 Page 23, strike lines 1 through 24, and substitute:

20 "SECTION 12. Effective date. This act takes effect upon
21 passage; except that section 8 of this act takes effect only if the annual
22 general appropriation act for the 2026-27 state fiscal year becomes law,
23 in which case section 8 takes effect upon the effective date of this act or
24 of the annual general appropriation act for state fiscal year 2026-27,
25 whichever is later; section 9 of this act takes effect only if House Bill
26 26-1401 does not become law, in which case section 9 takes effect upon
27 the effective date of this act; and section 10 of this act takes effect only
28 if House Bill 26-1401 becomes law, in which case section 10 takes effect
29 upon the effective date of this act or of House Bill 26-1401, whichever is
30 later."

31 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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