HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

<u>April 21, 2023</u> Date

Committee on <u>Appropriations</u>.

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

<u>HB23-1300</u> be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 4, line 14, strike "WORKLOAD AND".

Page 4, line 15, strike "ADMINISTRATIVE BURDENS ON THE COUNTIES;" and
substitute "WORKLOAD, TRAINING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE BURDENS ON THE
COUNTIES, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS, UPGRADES AND
ASSOCIATED COSTS;".

6 Page 5, line 4, strike "CHILD THREE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER".

Page 5, strike lines 5 through 7, and substitute "CHILD, AS DEFINED IN
ARTICLES 2, 3, 5, 6, AND 8 OF THIS TITLE 25.5, INCLUDING CHILDREN
ELIGIBLE UNDER 25.5-2-104 AND 25.5-2-105 WHO ARE LESS THAN SIX
YEARS OF AGE,".

11 Page 5, strike lines 20 through 27.

12 Page 6, strike lines 1 through 4 and substitute:

"(III) HAS BEEN IN COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, IS ON PAROLE, OR
HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM ANOTHER CARCERAL SETTING, INCLUDING JAIL
OR FEDERAL PRISON. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION (2)(c)(III),
CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY STARTS ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S MEDICAID
APPROVAL DATE.".

18 Page 6, line 23, after "CARE," insert "FORMER FOSTER CARE YOUTH".

- 19 Page 6, lines 24 and 25, strike "INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE IN REGIONS
- 20 EXPERIENCING EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS," and substitute "LOW-INCOME

- 1 INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED BY NATURAL DISASTERS,".
- 2 Page 7, after line 11, insert:
- 3 "(IV) COUNTIES;".
- 4 Renumber succeeding subparagraphs accordingly.
- 5 Page 8, strike lines 9 through 17, and substitute:

6 "(6) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION PROHIBITS OR LIMITS THE STATE 7 DEPARTMENT'S ABILITY TO AMEND ANY APPROVED FEDERAL 8 AUTHORIZATION OR TO SEEK OTHER FEDERAL PERMISSIONS NECESSARY TO 9 EXPAND CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY COVERAGE TO ADDITIONAL 10 POPULATIONS PRIOR TO THE COMPLETION OF THE FEASIBILITY STUDY 11 DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.".

- 12 Renumber succeeding subsection accordingly.
- 13 Amend printed bill, page 8, line 22, strike "SECTION." and substitute
- 14 "SECTION, AND TO CONTINUE ENROLLMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH NO
- 15 INCOME, AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (7)(d) OF THIS SECTION.".
- 16 Page 8, line 24, strike "CHILD IS".
- 17 Page 8, strike lines 25 through 27.
- 18 Page 9, strike line 1, and substitute "CHILD IS AS DEFINED IN ARTICLES 2,
- 19 3, 5, 6, AND 8 OF THIS TITLE 25.5, INCLUDING A CHILD ELIGIBLE PURSUANT
- 20 TO SECTIONS 25.5-2-104 AND 25.5-2-105, AND MUST BE UNDER THREE
- 21 YEARS OF AGE.".
- 22 Page 9, after line 24, insert:

"(d) TO FACILITATE THE RENEWAL PROCESS FOR THE MEDICAL
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH NO INCOME, INCLUDING
THOSE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT
SHALL SEEK FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION, TO THE EXTENT ALLOWABLE BY
THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, TO COMPLETE THE
INCOME DETERMINATION FOR EX PARTE RENEWALS WITHOUT REQUESTING
ADDITIONAL INCOME INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTATION, IF:

- 30 (I) AN ATTESTATION OF ZERO-DOLLAR INCOME WAS VERIFIED
 31 WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS, AT THE INITIAL APPLICATION, OR THE
 32 PREVIOUS RENEWAL; AND
- 33 (II) THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS CHECKED FINANCIAL DATA
 34 SOURCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION PLAN AS

- 1 REQUIRED BY THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES AND
- 2 NO INFORMATION IS RECEIVED.".
- 3 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

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