



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 532

February Session, 2000

An Act Extending Benefits Under The HUSKY Plan To Certain Unemployed Individuals.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (10) of section 17b-290 of the general statutes,
2 as amended by section 18 of public act 99-279, is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

4 (10) "Eligible beneficiary" means (A) a child who meets the
5 requirements specified in section 17b-292, as amended by this act,
6 except a child excluded under the provisions of Subtitle J of Public
7 Law 105-33 or a child of any municipal employee eligible for
8 employer-sponsored insurance on or after October 30, 1997, provided a
9 child of such a municipal employee may be eligible for coverage under
10 the HUSKY Plan, Part B if dependent coverage was terminated due to
11 an extreme economic hardship on the part of the employee, as
12 determined by the commissioner, or (B) an individual who meets the
13 requirements specified in subsection (n) of section 17b-292, as
14 amended by this act, or a member of such individual's family.

15 Sec. 2. Section 17b-292 of the general statutes is amended by adding
16 subsection (n) as follows:

17 (NEW) (n) Any individual who (1) resides in a household with a
18 family income that does not exceed three hundred per cent of the

19 federal poverty level, (2) has lost health insurance coverage due to
20 becoming unemployed for reasons other than voluntary termination,
21 and (3) has exhausted available benefits under the Consolidated
22 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, (P.L. 99-272), as amended
23 from time to time, (COBRA), shall be eligible for unsubsidized benefits
24 under the HUSKY Plan, Part B for the individual and such individual's
25 family, provided any child of such individual shall be eligible for
26 subsidized benefits in accordance with subsection (a) of this section.
27 Such individual and such individual's family shall remain eligible for
28 said plan during such individual's unemployment and for a period of
29 ninety days after such individual becomes reemployed, provided the
30 eligibility period for any child of such individual shall be determined
31 in accordance with subsections (d) and (f) of this section.

PH Committee Vote: Yea 25 Nay 0 JFS

APP Committee Vote: Yea 48 Nay 0 JF