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Offered by:
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(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATE
CHILDREN'S POLICY."**

1 After the last line, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 8. (a) The Commissioner of Social Services, in collaboration
3 with the Office of Health Care Access and the Office of Policy and
4 Management, within available appropriations, shall prepare a plan for
5 the purchase of employer-sponsored health insurance for adults or
6 children. The plan may include, but shall not be limited to,
7 recommendations on the following: (1) A sliding scale of copremium
8 subsidies for employees, their spouses or children with a family
9 income of up to three hundred per cent of the federal poverty level; (2)
10 minimum benefit standards for participating employer-sponsored
11 health plans; (3) the fiscal impact on state spending, including
12 anticipated reductions in other health-related expenditures; (4)
13 maximization of federal Title XXI allocations and Medicaid
14 reimbursement; (5) review of potential for appropriate copremium

15 subsidy during periods of unemployment; (6) strategies to address the
16 service wraparound for eligible recipients; (7) infrastructure and
17 resource requirements of implementation; (8) assessment of the impact
18 of applying the copremium subsidy plan to enrollees of the HUSKY
19 Plan, Part A and Part B; and (9) a timeline to achieve implementation
20 beginning January 1, 2003. The plan shall provide the outline for
21 appropriate waivers under Title XXI of the Social Security Act to be
22 submitted to the Health Care Financing Administration not later than
23 July 1, 2002.

24 (b) Not later than March 1, 2002, the commissioner shall submit
25 such plan to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
26 having cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health,
27 insurance and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies."