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LCO No. 2934

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
(HS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE FOR PERSONS
FORMERLY EMPLOYED IN BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SERVICES
FOR THE BLIND WORKSHOPS.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 5-259 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
5 (1) vending stand operators eligible for membership in the state
6 employee's retirement system pursuant to section 5-175a, shall be
7 eligible for coverage under the group hospitalization and medical and
8 surgical insurance plans procured under this section, provided the cost
9 for such operators' insurance coverage shall be paid by the Board of
10 Education and Services for the Blind from vending machine income
11 pursuant to section 10-303, and (2) blind persons employed in
12 workshops established pursuant to section 10-298a, on December 31,
13 2002, who subsequently became unemployed when the workshops
14 were discontinued, shall be eligible for coverage under the group
15 hospitalization and medical and surgical insurance plans procured

16 under this section, provided the cost for such persons' insurance
17 coverage shall be paid by the Board of Education and Services for the
18 Blind.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	5-259 (e)

Statement of Purpose:

To provide continued health insurance benefits to persons employed in workshops developed by the Board of Education and Services for the Blind on December 31, 2002, who subsequently became unemployed after the workshops were discontinued.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]