



**Senate Bill No. 872**

**Public Act No. 09-66**

**AN ACT PROVIDING STATE-FUNDED MEDICAL COVERAGE TO CHILDREN IN THE CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES.**

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

Section 1. Subsection (h) of section 17b-261 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

(h) Medical assistance shall be provided, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (e) of section 17a-6, to any child under the supervision of the Commissioner of Children and Families who is not receiving Medicaid benefits, has not yet qualified for Medicaid benefits or is otherwise ineligible for such benefits. [because of institutional status.] Medical assistance shall also be provided to any child in the voluntary services program operated by the Department of Developmental Services who is not receiving Medicaid benefits, has not yet qualified for Medicaid benefits or is otherwise ineligible for benefits. To the extent practicable, the Commissioner of Children and Families and the Commissioner of Developmental Services shall apply for, or assist such child in qualifying for, the Medicaid program.

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