AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 17b-61 of the general statutes is amended to add subsection (l) as follows (Effective July 1, 2021):

   (NEW) (l) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Social Services shall provide medical assistance to any person who otherwise meets income eligibility guidelines (1) pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, or (2) for HUSKY D, as defined in section 17b-290, regardless of immigration status.

2 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 17b-277 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2021):

   (a) The Commissioner of Social Services shall provide, in accordance with federal law and regulations, medical assistance under the Medicaid program to needy pregnant women whose families have an income not exceeding two hundred fifty-eight per cent of the federal poverty level.
Within available appropriations, the commissioner shall provide medical assistance to such women regardless of such women's immigration status.

Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 17b-292 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2021):

(a) A child who resides in a household with household income which exceeds one hundred ninety-six per cent of the federal poverty level and does not exceed three hundred eighteen per cent of the federal poverty level may be eligible for benefits under HUSKY B, regardless of immigration status.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | July 1, 2021 | 17b-261 |
| Sec. 2    | July 1, 2021 | 17b-277(a) |
| Sec. 3    | July 1, 2021 | 17b-292(a) |

Statement of Purpose:
To provide medical assistance to certain individuals regardless of immigration status.

[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.]