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100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 208.151, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to MO HealthNet benefits for persons in foster care.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 208.151, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 208.151, to read as follows:

208.151. 1. Medical assistance on behalf of needy persons shall be known
2 as "MO HealthNet". For the purpose of paying MO HealthNet benefits and to
3 comply with Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal Social
4 Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 301, et seq.) as amended, the following needy
5 persons shall be eligible to receive MO HealthNet benefits to the extent and in
6 the manner hereinafter provided:

7 (1) All participants receiving state supplemental payments for the aged,
8 blind and disabled;

9 (2) All participants receiving aid to families with dependent children
10 benefits, including all persons under nineteen years of age who would be
11 classified as dependent children except for the requirements of subdivision (1) of
12 subsection 1 of section 208.040. Participants eligible under this subdivision who
13 are participating in treatment court, as defined in section 478.001, shall have
14 their eligibility automatically extended sixty days from the time their dependent
15 child is removed from the custody of the participant, subject to approval of the
16 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services;

17 (3) All participants receiving blind pension benefits;

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

18 (4) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for old age
19 assistance benefits, permanent and total disability benefits, or aid to the blind
20 benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, or less
21 restrictive standards as established by rule of the family support division, who
22 are sixty-five years of age or over and are patients in state institutions for mental
23 diseases or tuberculosis;

24 (5) All persons under the age of twenty-one years who would be eligible
25 for aid to families with dependent children except for the requirements of
26 subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 208.040, and who are residing in an
27 intermediate care facility, or receiving active treatment as inpatients in
28 psychiatric facilities or programs, as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d, as
29 amended;

30 (6) All persons under the age of twenty-one years who would be eligible
31 for aid to families with dependent children benefits except for the requirement of
32 deprivation of parental support as provided for in subdivision (2) of subsection 1
33 of section 208.040;

34 (7) All persons eligible to receive nursing care benefits;

35 (8) All participants receiving family foster home or nonprofit private
36 child-care institution care, subsidized adoption benefits and parental school care
37 wherein state funds are used as partial or full payment for such care;

38 (9) All persons who were participants receiving old age assistance
39 benefits, aid to the permanently and totally disabled, or aid to the blind benefits
40 on December 31, 1973, and who continue to meet the eligibility requirements,
41 except income, for these assistance categories, but who are no longer receiving
42 such benefits because of the implementation of Title XVI of the federal Social
43 Security Act, as amended;

44 (10) Pregnant women who meet the requirements for aid to families with
45 dependent children, except for the existence of a dependent child in the home;

46 (11) Pregnant women who meet the requirements for aid to families with
47 dependent children, except for the existence of a dependent child who is deprived
48 of parental support as provided for in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section
49 208.040;

50 (12) Pregnant women or infants under one year of age, or both, whose
51 family income does not exceed an income eligibility standard equal to one
52 hundred eighty-five percent of the federal poverty level as established and
53 amended by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, or its

54 successor agency;

55 (13) Children who have attained one year of age but have not attained six
56 years of age who are eligible for medical assistance under 6401 of P.L. 101-239
57 (Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989). The family support division shall
58 use an income eligibility standard equal to one hundred thirty-three percent of
59 the federal poverty level established by the Department of Health and Human
60 Services, or its successor agency;

61 (14) Children who have attained six years of age but have not attained
62 nineteen years of age. For children who have attained six years of age but have
63 not attained nineteen years of age, the family support division shall use an
64 income assessment methodology which provides for eligibility when family income
65 is equal to or less than equal to one hundred percent of the federal poverty level
66 established by the Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor
67 agency. As necessary to provide MO HealthNet coverage under this subdivision,
68 the department of social services may revise the state MO HealthNet plan to
69 extend coverage under 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a (a)(10)(A)(i)(III) to children who
70 have attained six years of age but have not attained nineteen years of age as
71 permitted by paragraph (2) of subsection (n) of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d using a
72 more liberal income assessment methodology as authorized by paragraph (2) of
73 subsection (r) of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a;

74 (15) The family support division shall not establish a resource eligibility
75 standard in assessing eligibility for persons under subdivision (12), (13) or (14)
76 of this subsection. The MO HealthNet division shall define the amount and scope
77 of benefits which are available to individuals eligible under each of the
78 subdivisions (12), (13), and (14) of this subsection, in accordance with the
79 requirements of federal law and regulations promulgated thereunder;

80 (16) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary,
81 ambulatory prenatal care shall be made available to pregnant women during a
82 period of presumptive eligibility pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-1, as
83 amended;

84 (17) A child born to a woman eligible for and receiving MO HealthNet
85 benefits under this section on the date of the child's birth shall be deemed to have
86 applied for MO HealthNet benefits and to have been found eligible for such
87 assistance under such plan on the date of such birth and to remain eligible for
88 such assistance for a period of time determined in accordance with applicable
89 federal and state law and regulations so long as the child is a member of the

90 woman's household and either the woman remains eligible for such assistance or
91 for children born on or after January 1, 1991, the woman would remain eligible
92 for such assistance if she were still pregnant. Upon notification of such child's
93 birth, the family support division shall assign a MO HealthNet eligibility
94 identification number to the child so that claims may be submitted and paid
95 under such child's identification number;

96 (18) Pregnant women and children eligible for MO HealthNet benefits
97 pursuant to subdivision (12), (13) or (14) of this subsection shall not as a
98 condition of eligibility for MO HealthNet benefits be required to apply for aid to
99 families with dependent children. The family support division shall utilize an
100 application for eligibility for such persons which eliminates information
101 requirements other than those necessary to apply for MO HealthNet
102 benefits. The division shall provide such application forms to applicants whose
103 preliminary income information indicates that they are ineligible for aid to
104 families with dependent children. Applicants for MO HealthNet benefits under
105 subdivision (12), (13) or (14) of this subsection shall be informed of the aid to
106 families with dependent children program and that they are entitled to apply for
107 such benefits. Any forms utilized by the family support division for assessing
108 eligibility under this chapter shall be as simple as practicable;

109 (19) Subject to appropriations necessary to recruit and train such staff,
110 the family support division shall provide one or more full-time, permanent
111 eligibility specialists to process applications for MO HealthNet benefits at the site
112 of a health care provider, if the health care provider requests the placement of
113 such eligibility specialists and reimburses the division for the expenses including
114 but not limited to salaries, benefits, travel, training, telephone, supplies, and
115 equipment of such eligibility specialists. The division may provide a health care
116 provider with a part-time or temporary eligibility specialist at the site of a health
117 care provider if the health care provider requests the placement of such an
118 eligibility specialist and reimburses the division for the expenses, including but
119 not limited to the salary, benefits, travel, training, telephone, supplies, and
120 equipment, of such an eligibility specialist. The division may seek to employ such
121 eligibility specialists who are otherwise qualified for such positions and who are
122 current or former welfare participants. The division may consider training such
123 current or former welfare participants as eligibility specialists for this program;

124 (20) Pregnant women who are eligible for, have applied for and have
125 received MO HealthNet benefits under subdivision (2), (10), (11) or (12) of this

126 subsection shall continue to be considered eligible for all pregnancy-related and
127 postpartum MO HealthNet benefits provided under section 208.152 until the end
128 of the sixty-day period beginning on the last day of their pregnancy. Pregnant
129 women receiving substance abuse treatment within sixty days of giving birth
130 shall, subject to appropriations and any necessary federal approval, be eligible for
131 MO HealthNet benefits for substance abuse treatment and mental health services
132 for the treatment of substance abuse for no more than twelve additional months,
133 as long as the woman remains adherent with treatment. The department of
134 mental health and the department of social services shall seek any necessary
135 waivers or state plan amendments from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
136 Services and shall develop rules relating to treatment plan adherence. No later
137 than fifteen months after receiving any necessary waiver, the department of
138 mental health and the department of social services shall report to the house of
139 representatives budget committee and the senate appropriations committee on the
140 compliance with federal cost neutrality requirements;

141 (21) Case management services for pregnant women and young children
142 at risk shall be a covered service. To the greatest extent possible, and in
143 compliance with federal law and regulations, the department of health and senior
144 services shall provide case management services to pregnant women by contract
145 or agreement with the department of social services through local health
146 departments organized under the provisions of chapter 192 or chapter 205 or a
147 city health department operated under a city charter or a combined city-county
148 health department or other department of health and senior services designees.
149 To the greatest extent possible the department of social services and the
150 department of health and senior services shall mutually coordinate all services
151 for pregnant women and children with the crippled children's program, the
152 prevention of intellectual disability and developmental disability program and the
153 prenatal care program administered by the department of health and senior
154 services. The department of social services shall by regulation establish the
155 methodology for reimbursement for case management services provided by the
156 department of health and senior services. For purposes of this section, the term
157 "case management" shall mean those activities of local public health personnel
158 to identify prospective MO HealthNet-eligible high-risk mothers and enroll them
159 in the state's MO HealthNet program, refer them to local physicians or local
160 health departments who provide prenatal care under physician protocol and who
161 participate in the MO HealthNet program for prenatal care and to ensure that

162 said high-risk mothers receive support from all private and public programs for
163 which they are eligible and shall not include involvement in any MO HealthNet
164 prepaid, case-managed programs;

165 (22) By January 1, 1988, the department of social services and the
166 department of health and senior services shall study all significant aspects of
167 presumptive eligibility for pregnant women and submit a joint report on the
168 subject, including projected costs and the time needed for implementation, to the
169 general assembly. The department of social services, at the direction of the
170 general assembly, may implement presumptive eligibility by regulation
171 promulgated pursuant to chapter 207;

172 (23) All participants who would be eligible for aid to families with
173 dependent children benefits except for the requirements of paragraph (d) of
174 subdivision (1) of section 208.150;

175 (24) (a) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for old age
176 assistance benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973,
177 as authorized by 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(f), or less restrictive methodologies as
178 contained in the MO HealthNet state plan as of January 1, 2005; except that, on
179 or after July 1, 2005, less restrictive income methodologies, as authorized in 42
180 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), may be used to change the income limit if authorized
181 by annual appropriation;

182 (b) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for aid to the blind
183 benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, as authorized
184 by 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(f), or less restrictive methodologies as contained in the
185 MO HealthNet state plan as of January 1, 2005, except that less restrictive
186 income methodologies, as authorized in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), shall be
187 used to raise the income limit to one hundred percent of the federal poverty level;

188 (c) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for permanent and
189 total disability benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31,
190 1973, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(f); or less restrictive
191 methodologies as contained in the MO HealthNet state plan as of January 1,
192 2005; except that, on or after July 1, 2005, less restrictive income methodologies,
193 as authorized in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), may be used to change the income
194 limit if authorized by annual appropriations. Eligibility standards for permanent
195 and total disability benefits shall not be limited by age;

196 (25) Persons who have been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer and
197 who are eligible for coverage pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section

198 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII). Such persons shall be eligible during a period of
199 presumptive eligibility in accordance with 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-1;

200 (26) [Effective August 28, 2013,] Persons who are in foster care under the
201 responsibility of the state of Missouri on the date such persons attained the age
202 of eighteen years, or at any time during the thirty-day period preceding their
203 eighteenth birthday, **or persons who received foster care for at least six**
204 **months in another state, are residing in Missouri, and are at least**
205 **eighteen years of age**, without regard to income or assets, if such persons:

206 (a) Are under twenty-six years of age;

207 (b) Are not eligible for coverage under another mandatory coverage group;

208 and

209 (c) Were covered by Medicaid while they were in foster care.

210 2. Rules and regulations to implement this section shall be promulgated
211 in accordance with chapter 536. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is
212 defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this
213 section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the
214 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and
215 chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general
216 assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to
217 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the
218 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,
219 2002, shall be invalid and void.

220 3. After December 31, 1973, and before April 1, 1990, any family eligible
221 for assistance pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as amended, in at least
222 three of the last six months immediately preceding the month in which such
223 family became ineligible for such assistance because of increased income from
224 employment shall, while a member of such family is employed, remain eligible for
225 MO HealthNet benefits for four calendar months following the month in which
226 such family would otherwise be determined to be ineligible for such assistance
227 because of income and resource limitation. After April 1, 1990, any family
228 receiving aid pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as amended, in at least
229 three of the six months immediately preceding the month in which such family
230 becomes ineligible for such aid, because of hours of employment or income from
231 employment of the caretaker relative, shall remain eligible for MO HealthNet
232 benefits for six calendar months following the month of such ineligibility as long
233 as such family includes a child as provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-6. Each

234 family which has received such medical assistance during the entire six-month
235 period described in this section and which meets reporting requirements and
236 income tests established by the division and continues to include a child as
237 provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-6 shall receive MO HealthNet benefits
238 without fee for an additional six months. The MO HealthNet division may
239 provide by rule and as authorized by annual appropriation the scope of MO
240 HealthNet coverage to be granted to such families.

241 4. When any individual has been determined to be eligible for MO
242 HealthNet benefits, such medical assistance will be made available to him or her
243 for care and services furnished in or after the third month before the month in
244 which he made application for such assistance if such individual was, or upon
245 application would have been, eligible for such assistance at the time such care
246 and services were furnished; provided, further, that such medical expenses
247 remain unpaid.

248 5. The department of social services may apply to the federal Department
249 of Health and Human Services for a MO HealthNet waiver amendment to the
250 Section 1115 demonstration waiver or for any additional MO HealthNet waivers
251 necessary not to exceed one million dollars in additional costs to the state, unless
252 subject to appropriation or directed by statute, but in no event shall such waiver
253 applications or amendments seek to waive the services of a rural health clinic or
254 a federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d(l)(1) and
255 (2) or the payment requirements for such clinics and centers as provided in 42
256 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(15) and 1396a(bb) unless such waiver application is
257 approved by the oversight committee created in section 208.955. A request for
258 such a waiver so submitted shall only become effective by executive order not
259 sooner than ninety days after the final adjournment of the session of the general
260 assembly to which it is submitted, unless it is disapproved within sixty days of
261 its submission to a regular session by a senate or house resolution adopted by a
262 majority vote of the respective elected members thereof, unless the request for
263 such a waiver is made subject to appropriation or directed by statute.

264 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in any
265 given fiscal year, any persons made eligible for MO HealthNet benefits under
266 subdivisions (1) to (22) of subsection 1 of this section shall only be eligible if
267 annual appropriations are made for such eligibility. This subsection shall not
268 apply to classes of individuals listed in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(I).

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