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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Guaranteed and Presumptive**
3 **Eligibility**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring guaranteed eligibility under the Maryland Medical
5 Assistance Program for pregnant women and for children under a certain age for
6 a certain amount of time; requiring presumptive eligibility for any individual
7 who applies for the Children and Families Health Care Program; and generally
8 relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article - Health - General
11 Section 15-103(b)(3) and 15-303(b)(1)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Health - General**

17 15-103.

18 (b) (3) Subject to the limitations of the State budget and as permitted by
19 federal law or waiver, the program developed under paragraph (1) of this subsection
20 and the program developed under § 15-301 of this title [may] SHALL provide
21 guaranteed eligibility FOR A PREGNANT WOMAN THROUGH THE SECOND MONTH
22 AFTER THE WOMAN DELIVERS THE CHILD, FOR A CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 19
23 YEARS FOR 1 YEAR FROM THE DATE OF ENROLLMENT, AND for [each] ANY OTHER
24 enrollee for up to 6 months FROM THE DATE OF ENROLLMENT, unless an enrollee
25 obtains health insurance through another source.

1 15-303.

2 (b) (1) To the extent allowed under federal law and regulations, the
3 Secretary shall implement [expedited] PRESUMPTIVE eligibility for any individual
4 who applies for the Children and Families Health Care Program under § 15-301 of
5 this subtitle.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2000.