

Legislative Analysis



WAIVING MEDICAID AND MI CHILD WAITING PERIOD

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House Bill 4740 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Alabas A. Farhat
Committee: Insurance and Financial Services
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4740 would amend the Social Welfare Act to require, beginning January 1, 2024, that the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) waive the five-year waiting period for immigrant children and pregnant people who are otherwise eligible to enroll in Medicaid or the MI Child program. The bill would also require DHHS to extend coverage under these programs to children up to 21 years of age and to pregnant people regardless of whether they have lived in the United States for less than five years.

Proposed MCL 400.107c

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no new fiscal impact on DHHS or the state's Medicaid program, as appropriations for FY 2023-24 include \$26.4 million Gross (\$6.4 million GF/GP) to eliminate the five-year Medicaid waiting period for legal migrants up to 21 years of age or who are pregnant. During budget development, DHHS estimated that approximately 8,000 eligible residents would apply for the waiver.

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