

**HB 700 House Committee Substitute (posted 3/21/13)**

**Partial Medicaid Expansion: Who’s In & Who’s Out?**

* **Expands Medicaid eligibility for parents and other working adults, but only up to 100% of the federal poverty line not to the full 138% authorized by federal law.** 
  + Passing this provision will not expand Medicaid coverage for adults in Missouri.
* This expansionis **not authorized by federal law** and will not be approved.

**Eliminates and reduces other categories of Medicaid eligibility**, but only if the federal government approves a partial Medicaid Expansion to 100% federal poverty which the federal government does not have the authority to do.

* **Eliminates** Medicaid eligibility for those receiving **blind pensions, uninsured women and men with breast and cervical cancer, and uninsured women’s health program** effective July 1, 2014.
* **Requires pregnant women** with incomes between 133%-185% federal poverty to enroll in Exchange-offered plans if enrollment is open, apparently (although not clearly) with premium costs to be paid for by the state’s Medicaid program, effective July 1, 2014.
* Effective 2019, it **eliminates Medicaid eligibility for infants under age 1** if their mother had Medicaid eligibility as a pregnant woman through Exchange-offered insurance paid for by Medicaid.
* **Repeals existing CHIP, but retains CHIP** **eligibility** for children whose parents do not have access to affordable health insurance through their employer or the health insurance Exchange, effective 2019.
  + CHIP presently only provides coverage to children who do not have access to affordable health insurance. It is not clear what the bill’s sweeping repeal language is trying to accomplish.
* **Eliminates Ticket to Work Medicaid** eligibility for those with severe disabilities who return to work.
  + This Medicaid coverage was authorized through August 28, 2013 and needs to be reauthorized to continue.
* **Expands CHIP eligibility to include** **not yet born children** whose parents do not have access to affordable insurance through employment or the Exchange.
  + Covered services include prenatal care and pregnancy related services and continue for 60 days post partum for the mother and up to one year for the child.
* **Moves children ages 6-18** up to 133% federal line into Medicaid rather than CHIP and **expands eligibility for** **children aging out of foster care** as required by federal law.