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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the eligibility of children under the healthy
2 and well kids in Iowa program, and providing effective dates.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 514I.2, subsection 6, Code Supplement
2 2003, is amended to read as follows:

3 6. "Eligible child" means an individual who meets the
4 definition of "child" under 42 C.F.R. § 457.10 and the
5 criteria for participation in the program under section
6 514I.8.

7 Sec. 2. Section 514I.5, subsection 8, paragraph e, Code
8 Supplement 2003, is amended by adding the following new
9 subparagraph:

10 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (15) Prenatal and delivery services.

11 Sec. 3. AMENDMENT OF STATE PLAN -- STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH
12 INSURANCE PROGRAM. The department of human services shall
13 submit an amendment to the state children's health insurance
14 program state plan to the centers for Medicare and Medicaid of
15 the United States department of health and human services to
16 allow the state program to incorporate the provisions of 42
17 C.F.R. § 457.10.

18 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATES.

19 1. The sections of this Act amending sections 514I.2 and
20 514I.5 take effect upon receipt of approval by the department
21 of human services from the centers for Medicare and Medicaid
22 of the United States department of health and human services
23 of the state plan amendment to the state children's health
24 insurance program as described in section 3 of this Act. Upon
25 receipt of the approval, the director of human services shall
26 inform the Iowa Code editor of the date that approval was
27 received.

28 2. The section of this Act requiring the department of
29 human services to submit an amendment to the state children's
30 health insurance program state plan, being deemed of immediate
31 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

32 EXPLANATION

33 This bill relates to eligibility of children under the
34 healthy and well kids in Iowa (hawk-i) program. The bill
35 changes the definition of "eligible child" to include an

1 individual who meets the definition of "child" under a federal
2 regulation. Under that regulation, 42 C.F.R. § 457.10,
3 "child" means an individual under the age of 19 including the
4 period from conception to birth. The bill also changes the
5 benefits to be provided under the hawk-i program to include
6 prenatal and delivery services.

7 The bill directs the department of human services to submit
8 a state children's health insurance program (SCHIP) state plan
9 amendment to the centers for Medicare and Medicaid services of
10 the United States department of health and human services to
11 allow the state program to incorporate the provision of the
12 federal regulation.

13 The sections of the bill that amend the definition of
14 "eligible child" and add prenatal and delivery services to the
15 benefits package take effect upon receipt of approval of the
16 state plan amendment. The section of the bill directing the
17 department of human services to submit the state plan
18 amendment takes effect upon enactment.

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