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(COMPANION TO LSB 2400SS BY RAGAN)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to human papillomavirus infection by providing
2 appropriations for a public awareness program and for
3 vaccinations of low-income persons who are uninsured.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 135.11, Code 2007, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 31. Administer a public awareness program
1 4 for human papillomavirus infection vaccination by identifying
1 5 medically accurate materials that contain information
1 6 regarding the risks associated with the various forms of the
1 7 infection in causing cervical cancer, and any other diseases
1 8 for which the department may recommend immunization or
1 9 immunization information, and the availability, effectiveness,
1 10 and potential risk of those vaccines. The department shall
1 11 make the identified materials available on the department's
1 12 internet website, provide education and training to health
1 13 professionals and the general public regarding the vaccines
1 14 and notify each school district in the state of the
1 15 availability of this information. For the purposes of this
1 16 subsection, "human papillomavirus" means the group of viruses
1 17 identified by the center for disease control and prevention of
1 18 the United States department of health and human services.

1 19 Sec. 2. HUMAN PAPILOMAVIRUS VACCINATION PUBLIC AWARENESS
1 20 PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the general fund of the
1 21 state to the department of public health for the fiscal year
1 22 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the
1 23 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
1 24 used for the purposes designated:

1 25 For the human papillomavirus vaccination public awareness
1 26 program in accordance with section 135.11, subsection 31, as
1 27 enacted by this Act:
1 28 \$ 250,000
1 29 The department of public health may seek private sector
1 30 moneys for purposes of supporting the public awareness
1 31 program.

1 32 Sec. 3. HUMAN PAPILOMAVIRUS VACCINATION FUNDING. There
1 33 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
1 34 department of human services for the fiscal year beginning
1 35 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the following amount,
2 1 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
2 2 purposes designated:

2 3 For providing vaccinations for human papillomavirus to
2 4 persons age 19 through 26 with an income that is below 250
2 5 percent of the federal poverty level, as defined by the most
2 6 recently revised poverty income guidelines issued by the

2 7 United States department of health and human services, and who
2 8 are not covered by a third-party payer health policy or
2 9 contract that pays for such vaccinations:
2 10 \$ 2,500,000
2 11 The department shall distribute the amount appropriated to
2 12 providers on behalf of persons within the target population
2 13 who are not covered by a third-party payer health policy or
2 14 contract that pays for such vaccinations.

2 15 EXPLANATION

2 16 This bill relates to human papillomavirus (HPV) infection
2 17 by providing appropriations for an HPV vaccination public
2 18 awareness program to prevent the infection and for
2 19 vaccinations of low-income persons who are uninsured.

2 20 The bill requires the department of public health to
2 21 administer the HPV vaccination public awareness program by
2 22 identifying medically accurate materials that contain
2 23 information regarding the risks associated with HPV in causing
2 24 cervical cancer, and the availability, effectiveness, and
2 25 potential risk of HPV vaccines. The department is required to
2 26 make the identified materials available on the departmental
2 27 website, provide education and training to health
2 28 professionals and the general public regarding the vaccines,
2 29 and notify each school district in the state of the available
2 30 information.

2 31 The bill provides an appropriation to the department of
2 32 public health for carrying out the public awareness program.

2 33 The bill also provides an appropriation to the department
2 34 of human services for providing the HPV vaccination to persons
2 35 below 250 percent of the federal poverty level who do not have
3 1 insurance to cover the HPV vaccination.

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