

**Senate File 2142 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to multiyear continuous eligibility and  
2 enrollment for children under Medicaid and the children's  
3 health insurance program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. MULTIYEAR CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLMENT  
2 — MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM  
3 (CHIP). The department of health and human services shall  
4 request a waiver from the centers for Medicare and Medicaid  
5 services of the United States department of health and human  
6 services to implement continuous eligibility and enrollment for  
7 children eligible for Medicaid or CHIP to allow children to  
8 remain continuously eligible and enrolled in medical assistance  
9 or CHIP without regard to a change in household income for two  
10 years after the last day of the month in which the child was  
11 enrolled.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 This bill requires the department of health and human  
16 services to request a federal waiver to implement continuous  
17 eligibility and enrollment for children eligible for Medicaid  
18 or the children's health insurance program (CHIP) to allow  
19 children to remain continuously eligible and enrolled in  
20 medical assistance or CHIP without regard to a change in  
21 household income for two years after the last day of the month  
22 in which the child was enrolled.