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# **Fiscal Note**

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Jaquez Lewis

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Bill Status: Senate HHS

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Bill Topic: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE INCOME ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

**No fiscal impact.** The bill aligns state statute with federal law regarding certain areas of Medicaid eligibility. It has no impact on state or local revenue or expenditures.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

### **Summary of Legislation**

This bill increases the eligibility level for children and pregnant women under the Children's Basic Health Plan (CHP+) to up to 260 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL), and increases the Medicaid income eligibility level for pregnant women from 133 percent of the FPL to a federally approved specified percentage of the federal poverty level, adjusted for family size as set forth in state board rule.

### Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing currently determines eligibility for CHP+ and Medicaid based on federal eligibility requirements; therefore, no increase in state expenditures is required and the bill has no fiscal impact.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Health Care Policy and Financing Information Technology