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AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill NO. 976

By Senator(s) Committee

**Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting
in lieu thereof the following:**

SECTION 1. Section 41-86-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
amended as follows:

41-86-5. As used in Sections 41-86-5 through 41-86-17, the
following definitions shall have the meanings ascribed in this
section, unless the context indicates otherwise:

(a) "Act" means the Mississippi Children's Health Care
Act.

(b) "Administering agency" means the agency designated
by the Mississippi Children's Health Insurance Program Commission
to administer the program.

(c) "Board" means the State and Public School Employees
Health Insurance Management Board created under Section 25-15-303.

(d) "Child" means an individual who is under nineteen
(19) years of age who is not eligible for Medicaid benefits and is
not covered by other health insurance.

(e) "Commission" means the Mississippi Children's
Health Insurance Program Commission created by Section 41-86-7.

(f) "Covered benefits" means the types of health care
benefits and services provided to eligible recipients under the
Children's Health Care Program.

(g) "Division" means the Division of Medicaid in the

27 Office of the Governor.

28 (h) "Low-income child" means a child whose family
29 income does not exceed one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the
30 poverty level for a family of the size involved.

31 (i) "Plan" means the State Child Health Plan.

32 (j) "Program" means the Children's Health Care Program
33 established by Sections 41-86-5 through 41-86-17.

34 (k) "Recipient" means a person who is eligible for
35 assistance under the program.

36 (l) "State Child Health Plan" means the permanent plan
37 that sets forth the manner and means by which the State of
38 Mississippi will provide health care assistance to eligible
39 uninsured, low-income children consistent with the provisions of
40 Title XXI of the federal Social Security Act, as amended.

41 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
42 and after July 1, 1999.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-86-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 DEFINE THE TERM "LOW-INCOME CHILD" FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR
3 THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM IN MISSISSIPPI
4 (C.H.I.P.S.); AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.