

HB 1019 -- Missouri Medicaid Program

Sponsor: Baker (25)

This bill modifies the eligibility requirements for the Missouri Medicaid Program by making the requirements no more restrictive than those in effect on January 1, 2005. Medicaid eligibility requirements for custodial parents, noncustodial parents, extended transitional medical assistance, and extended women's health services cannot be more restrictive than requirements in effect on January 1, 2002.

The General Assembly must develop a plan by June 1, 2009, to provide access to affordable, high-quality health care and conduct public meetings to allow input on the plan. The plan should be based on the best practices that have been proven effective in providing access to affordable, high-quality health care. Any implemented changes will be subject to an annual review.

The bill also removes the expiration date of June 30, 2008, for the Missouri Medicaid Program and the health care plan for uninsured children, commonly known as MC+ for Kids.