

Amendment: D23

33 – Health and Human Services

Representative HERBKERSMAN proposes the following amendment:

Amend Further:

33.15. (DHHS: CHIP Enrollment and Recertification) The Department of Health and Human Services shall enroll and recertify eligible children and households to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and/or Medicaid and must use available state agency program data including, but not limited to, that housed in the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, ~~to include the Department of Social Services' Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) and the~~ ~~department may use the~~ poverty-related information from the Department of Education. Use of this data and cooperative efforts between state agencies reduces the cost of outreach and ~~maintenance of~~ eligibility activities for CHIP. In the current fiscal year and with funds available to it, the Department shall submit to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services such waivers and/or plan amendments necessary to ensure that the CHIP upper income limit is at least that of the average of the states within CMS Region IV and shall enroll children into the program accordingly.