

SENATE, No. 2899

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SYNOPSIS

Supplemental appropriation to DHSS for \$7,453,000 for family planning services, and requires filing of State Plan Amendment to extend Medicaid coverage for family planning services to persons with incomes up to 200% of federal poverty level.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/3/2011)

1 A SUPPLEMENT to "An Act making appropriations for the support
2 of the State Government and the several public purposes for the
3 fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 and regulating the disbursement
4 thereof, " approved June 30, 2010 (P.L.2010, c.35).

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6 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and the General Assembly of the
7 State of New Jersey:

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9 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2010,
10 c.35, there is appropriated out of the General Fund the following
11 sum for the purpose specified:
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46 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

20 Physical and Mental Health

21 Health Services

GRANTS-IN-AID

02-4220 Family Health Services \$7,453,000

Grants-in-Aid:

02 Family Planning Services..... (\$7,453,000)

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14 Of the funds hereinabove appropriated for Family Planning
15 Services, no monies shall be expended on abortion procedures.
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17 2. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2010,
18 c.35, the following language is added on page 116 of P.L.2010,
19 c.35:
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54 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

20 Physical and Mental Health

24 Special Health Services

7540 Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

GRANTS-IN-AID

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22 The Department of Human Services shall submit a State Plan
23 Amendment to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
24 Services to extend coverage for family planning services to
25 persons with incomes up to 200% of the federal poverty level.
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27 3. This act shall take effect immediately.
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30 STATEMENT
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32 This bill appropriates \$7,453,000 in funding for Family Planning
33 Services grants through the Department of Health and Senior
34 Services which had been eliminated from the FY 2011
35 appropriations act and which has resulted in both the closing of
36 facilities that provide family planning services and a reduction in

1 the availability of such services. The bill specified that the monies
2 cannot be used for abortion procedures.

3 In addition, the bill requires the Department of Human Services
4 to submit a State Plan Amendment to the federal Centers for
5 Medicare and Medicaid Services to expand Medicaid coverage for
6 family planning services to persons with incomes up to 200% of the
7 federal poverty level. Expansion of Medicaid family planning
8 services would generate a 90% federal reimbursement and would
9 make the provision of these services cost-effective from a State
10 financial perspective. Available information is that the Medicaid
11 program's existing appropriation contains sufficient funds to
12 support any additional State cost associated with this expansion.