

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2072

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## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman CHARLES

1   **AN ACT** concerning health benefits coverage pursuant to a child  
2   support order and amending P.L.1995, c.58.  
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4   **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5   of New Jersey:

6       1. Section 1 of P.L.1995, c.58 (C.2A:34-23c) is amended to read  
7   as follows:

8           1. a. Any order for child support issued pursuant to the provisions  
9   of N.J.S.2A:34-23 shall include provisions indicating the party  
10   responsible for maintaining medical support coverage for the child and  
11   the terms and conditions by which that coverage is to be maintained.

12           b. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a non-  
13   custodial parent is required to provide health benefits coverage for a  
14   child pursuant to a child support order and the non-custodial parent's  
15   health benefits plan is unable to provide coverage for the child based  
16   on the fact that the child lives in an area not served by the plan, the  
17   non-custodial parent shall pay the additional cost for coverage of the  
18   child under the custodial parent's health benefits plan, or if the  
19   custodial parent has no health benefits plan, the non-custodial parent  
20   shall purchase a separate health benefits plan to cover the child.

21       (cf: P. L.1995, c.58, s.1).

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23       2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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### STATEMENT

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28       This bill requires that if a non-custodial parent is required to  
29   provide health benefits coverage for a child pursuant to a child  
30   support order, but the non-custodial parent's plan is unable to provide  
31   coverage for the child based on the fact that the child lives outside the  
32   area served by the plan, then the non-custodial parent shall pay the  
33   additional cost for coverage under the custodial parent's health  
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**EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.**

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 benefits plan. In addition, if the custodial parent has no health  
2 benefits plan, then the non-custodial parent is required to purchase a  
3 separate health benefits plan to cover the child.

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8 Requires non-custodial parent to purchase health benefits coverage for  
9 child.