

SB 216 INTRODUCED BY JACOBSON, KEENAN, ECK, ET AL.
EXPANDING MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR PRENATAL AND
POSTPARTUM CARE
BY REQUEST OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL &
REHABILITATION SERVICES

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1 *Senate* BILL NO. *216*
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Jacobsen Keenan Eck Yellowtail*
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 4 *Hayme Harding*

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 25 responsibility requirements of any of the public assistance

1 programs above enumerated;

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 6 conditions of eligibility in the state's plan for aid to
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24 act.

25 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. This act is

1 effective July 1, 1987.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for SB216, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act increasing the income limit for medicaid eligibility for prenatal, delivery, and postpartum care and for infants; amending section 53-6-131, MCA; and providing an effective date.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. There would be 1,134 women and 1,134 infants eligible for this program annually. These numbers are estimated from the participants in the Women, Infants and Children nutrition program and the percent of such participants that have incomes below the federal poverty guidelines. It is assumed that 30 percent of the WIC participants that would be eligible for medicaid under the proposed law are already eligible because they receive AFDC. This assumption is based on a sample of applications reviewed by WIC program staff.
2. The estimated number eligible does not take into account the determination whether these persons meet the resources test provided for in section (1)(5) of the proposed law. There is not adequate data to determine the affect of the resource test.
3. The medicaid reimbursement for prenatal care, delivery and postpartum care is \$577 (medicaid administrative rules).
4. The average yearly cost for children in the medically needy program is \$679.
5. The federal matching rate for medicaid is assumed to be 68.91 percent in FY88 and 70.92 percent in FY89.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	FY88			FY89		
	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>						
Benefits	\$ 0	\$ 1,424,304	\$1,424,304	\$ 0	\$ 1,424,304	\$1,424,304
<u>Funding:</u>						
General Funds	\$ 0	\$ 442,816	\$ 442,816	\$ 0	\$ 414,188	\$ 414,188
Federal Funds	0	981,488	981,488	0	1,010,116	1,010,116
TOTAL FUNDING	\$ 0	\$ 1,424,304	\$ 1,424,304	\$ 0	\$ 1,424,304	\$ 1,424,304

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES:

The proposed law could offset some expenditures that might be made from county general medical programs and the state medical program in state-assumed county welfare programs. The extent of such an offset cannot be accurately estimated.

David L. Hunter DATE 2/9/87
 DAVID L. HUNTER, BUDGET DIRECTOR
 Office of Budget and Program Planning

DATE _____
 JUDY JACOBSEN, PRIMARY SPONSOR
 Fiscal Note for SB216, as introduced.

SPONSOR'S FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15S

There is hereby submitted a Sponsor's Fiscal Note for: SB 216, Version: as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: This legislation would provide medicaid coverage to women and children whose income is below the federal poverty guidelines but is greater than the SSI standards(women) or the AFDC standard (children).

ASSUMPTIONS: Assumes 908 women would be eligible in each fiscal year-based on WIC program statistics. Assumes Medicaid reimbursement would be \$577 for prenatal care, delivery and postpartum care. Assumes yearly cost for children would be \$679 per child. Child costs would be about one half in first year since they are not all born on July 1. Assumes the federal matching rate will be 68.91% in FY88 and 70.92% in FY89.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Revenue: Federal funds would increase to cover their share of the program costs.

	<u>Proposed Law</u> <u>FY 1988</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u> <u>FY 1989</u>
Expenditures:		
Medicaid Expenditures	<u>832,182</u>	<u>1,140,448</u>
General Fund	258,725	331,642
Federal Special Revenue	<u>573,457</u>	<u>808,806</u>
Total	<u>832,182</u>	<u>1,140,448</u>

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES: N/A

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: N/A

TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS IN PROPOSED LEGISLATION OR CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING LEGISLATION: N/A

Judy Giacalone

Fiscal Note for SB 216 DATE 2/10/87

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FINANCE AND CLAIMS

WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

ON MOTION, PRINTED AND
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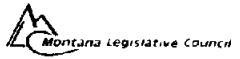
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