

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HJM 4016

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Health & Long-Term Care, March 28, 2007

**Brief Description:** Requesting that Congress reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Seaquist, Hinkle, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Priest, Anderson, Wood, Hankins, Quall, Cody, Appleton, Morrell, Green, Kelley, Schual-Berke, Hasegawa, Rolfes, Campbell, Ericks, Kenney, VanDeWege, Conway, Goodman, Simpson and Linville.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 3/06/07, 96-0.

**Committee Activity:** Health & Long-Term Care: 3/28/07 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG-TERM CARE

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Pflug, Ranking Minority Member; Fairley, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Marr and Parlette.

**Staff:** Mich'l Needham (786-7442)

**Background:** Congress enacted the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) to provide health coverage to low-income children without health insurance living in households whose income exceeds the Medicaid eligibility level. If Congress does not reauthorize the program, federal funding for this program will end.

**Summary of Bill:** Congress is requested to reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program and appropriate sufficient funds to cover all eligible children.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** None.

**Persons Testifying:** No one.

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