

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bonamici, Bruun, Cannon, Flores, Gelser, Kotek, Maurer, Richardson, Greenlick
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Urges Congress to reauthorize State Children's Health Insurance Program in timely manner.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Congressional approval of a \$50 billion reserve
- Importance of the Oregon congressional delegation to deliver on the \$50 billion and provide states with new tools, options and financial support for program
- Proposed amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Acknowledges that Congress has identified \$50 billion in a reserve fund. Requests that the Oregon Congressional Delegation deliver on the \$50 billion in new funding and provide states with new tools, options and financial support to reach additional uninsured children.

BACKGROUND: The State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), created by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, enacted Title XXI of the Social Security Act and allocated approximately \$20 billion over five years to help states insure more children. SCHIP continues to receive considerable attention as states implement or continue to expand and refine their initial SCHIP plans. SCHIP plans have been approved in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories. The Social Security Act authorizes multiple waiver and demonstration authorities to allow states flexibility in operating their Medicaid programs and SCHIP programs. Each authority has a distinct purpose, and distinct requirements.