SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1287

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PIKE.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 208.151, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to MO HealthNet.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 208.151, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 208.151, to read as follows:

208.151. 1. Medical assistance on behalf of needy persons shall be known as "MO
HealthNet". For the purpose of paying MO HealthNet benefits and to comply with Title XIX,
Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 301,
et seq.) as amended, the following needy persons shall be eligible to receive MO HealthNet
benefits to the extent and in the manner hereinafter provided:

6 (1) All participants receiving state supplemental payments for the aged, blind and 7 disabled;

8 (2) All participants receiving aid to families with dependent children benefits, including 9 all persons under nineteen years of age who would be classified as dependent children except for 10 the requirements of subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 208.040. Participants eligible 11 under this subdivision who are participating in treatment court, as defined in section 478.001, 12 shall have their eligibility automatically extended sixty days from the time their dependent child 13 is removed from the custody of the participant, subject to approval of the Centers for Medicare 14 and Medicaid Services;

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(3) All participants receiving blind pension benefits;

(4) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for old age assistance benefits,
 permanent and total disability benefits, or aid to the blind benefits under the eligibility standards

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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in effect December 31, 1973, or less restrictive standards as established by rule of the family
support division, who are sixty-five years of age or over and are patients in state institutions for
mental diseases or tuberculosis;

(5) All persons under the age of twenty-one years who would be eligible for aid to families with dependent children except for the requirements of subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 208.040, and who are residing in an intermediate care facility, or receiving active treatment as inpatients in psychiatric facilities or programs, as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d, as amended;

(6) All persons under the age of twenty-one years who would be eligible for aid to
families with dependent children benefits except for the requirement of deprivation of parental
support as provided for in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 208.040;

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(7) All persons eligible to receive nursing care benefits;

30 (8) All participants receiving family foster home or nonprofit private child-care 31 institution care, subsidized adoption benefits and parental school care wherein state funds are 32 used as partial or full payment for such care;

(9) All persons who were participants receiving old age assistance benefits, aid to the permanently and totally disabled, or aid to the blind benefits on December 31, 1973, and who continue to meet the eligibility requirements, except income, for these assistance categories, but who are no longer receiving such benefits because of the implementation of Title XVI of the federal Social Security Act, as amended;

(10) Pregnant women who meet the requirements for aid to families with dependentchildren, except for the existence of a dependent child in the home;

40 (11) Pregnant women who meet the requirements for aid to families with dependent 41 children, except for the existence of a dependent child who is deprived of parental support as 42 provided for in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 208.040;

(12) Pregnant women or infants under one year of age, or both, whose family income
 does not exceed an income eligibility standard equal to one hundred eighty-five percent of the
 federal poverty level as established and amended by the federal Department of Health and
 Human Services, or its successor agency;

47 (13) Children who have attained one year of age but have not attained six years of age 48 who are eligible for medical assistance under 6401 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus Budget 49 Reconciliation Act of 1989). The family support division shall use an income eligibility standard 50 equal to one hundred thirty-three percent of the federal poverty level established by the 51 Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor agency;

52 (14) Children who have attained six years of age but have not attained nineteen years of 53 age. For children who have attained six years of age but have not attained nineteen years of age,

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54 the family support division shall use an income assessment methodology which provides for 55 eligibility when family income is equal to or less than equal to one hundred percent of the federal 56 poverty level established by the Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor 57 agency. As necessary to provide MO HealthNet coverage under this subdivision, the department 58 of social services may revise the state MO HealthNet plan to extend coverage under 42 U.S.C. 59 Section 1396a (a)(10)(A)(i)(III) to children who have attained six years of age but have not 60 attained nineteen years of age as permitted by paragraph (2) of subsection (n) of 42 U.S.C. 61 Section 1396d using a more liberal income assessment methodology as authorized by paragraph 62 (2) of subsection (r) of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a;

63 (15) The family support division shall not establish a resource eligibility standard in 64 assessing eligibility for persons under subdivision (12), (13) or (14) of this subsection. The MO 65 HealthNet division shall define the amount and scope of benefits which are available to 66 individuals eligible under each of the subdivisions (12), (13), and (14) of this subsection, in 67 accordance with the requirements of federal law and regulations promulgated thereunder;

(16) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, ambulatory prenatal
care shall be made available to pregnant women during a period of presumptive eligibility
pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-1, as amended;

71 (17) A child born to a woman eligible for and receiving MO HealthNet benefits under 72 this section on the date of the child's birth shall be deemed to have applied for MO HealthNet 73 benefits and to have been found eligible for such assistance under such plan on the date of such 74 birth and to remain eligible for such assistance for a period of time determined in accordance 75 with applicable federal and state law and regulations so long as the child is a member of the 76 woman's household and either the woman remains eligible for such assistance or for children 77 born on or after January 1, 1991, the woman would remain eligible for such assistance if she 78 were still pregnant. Upon notification of such child's birth, the family support division shall 79 assign a MO HealthNet eligibility identification number to the child so that claims may be 80 submitted and paid under such child's identification number;

81 Pregnant women and children eligible for MO HealthNet benefits pursuant to (18)82 subdivision (12), (13) or (14) of this subsection shall not as a condition of eligibility for MO 83 HealthNet benefits be required to apply for aid to families with dependent children. The family 84 support division shall utilize an application for eligibility for such persons which eliminates 85 information requirements other than those necessary to apply for MO HealthNet benefits. The 86 division shall provide such application forms to applicants whose preliminary income 87 information indicates that they are ineligible for aid to families with dependent children. 88 Applicants for MO HealthNet benefits under subdivision (12), (13) or (14) of this subsection 89 shall be informed of the aid to families with dependent children program and that they are 90 entitled to apply for such benefits. Any forms utilized by the family support division for 91 assessing eligibility under this chapter shall be as simple as practicable;

92 (19) Subject to appropriations necessary to recruit and train such staff, the family support 93 division shall provide one or more full-time, permanent eligibility specialists to process 94 applications for MO HealthNet benefits at the site of a health care provider, if the health care 95 provider requests the placement of such eligibility specialists and reimburses the division for the 96 expenses including but not limited to salaries, benefits, travel, training, telephone, supplies, and 97 equipment of such eligibility specialists. The division may provide a health care provider with 98 a part-time or temporary eligibility specialist at the site of a health care provider if the health care 99 provider requests the placement of such an eligibility specialist and reimburses the division for 100 the expenses, including but not limited to the salary, benefits, travel, training, telephone, 101 supplies, and equipment, of such an eligibility specialist. The division may seek to employ such 102 eligibility specialists who are otherwise qualified for such positions and who are current or 103 former welfare participants. The division may consider training such current or former welfare 104 participants as eligibility specialists for this program;

105 (20) Pregnant women who are eligible for, have applied for and have received MO 106 HealthNet benefits under subdivision (2), (10), (11) or (12) of this subsection shall continue to 107 be considered eligible for all pregnancy-related and postpartum MO HealthNet benefits provided 108 under section 208.152 until the end of the sixty-day period beginning on the last day of their 109 pregnancy. Pregnant women receiving substance abuse treatment within sixty days of giving 110 birth shall, subject to appropriations and any necessary federal approval, be eligible for MO 111 HealthNet benefits for substance abuse treatment and mental health services for the treatment 112 of substance abuse for no more than twelve additional months, as long as the woman remains 113 adherent with treatment. The department of mental health and the department of social services 114 shall seek any necessary waivers or state plan amendments from the Centers for Medicare and 115 Medicaid Services and shall develop rules relating to treatment plan adherence. No later than 116 fifteen months after receiving any necessary waiver, the department of mental health and the 117 department of social services shall report to the house of representatives budget committee and 118 the senate appropriations committee on the compliance with federal cost neutrality requirements;

(21) Case management services for pregnant women and young children at risk shall be a covered service. To the greatest extent possible, and in compliance with federal law and regulations, the department of health and senior services shall provide case management services to pregnant women by contract or agreement with the department of social services through local health departments organized under the provisions of chapter 192 or chapter 205 or a city health department operated under a city charter or a combined city-county health department or other department of health and senior services designees. To the greatest extent possible the

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126 department of social services and the department of health and senior services shall mutually 127 coordinate all services for pregnant women and children with the crippled children's program, 128 the prevention of intellectual disability and developmental disability program and the prenatal 129 care program administered by the department of health and senior services. The department of 130 social services shall by regulation establish the methodology for reimbursement for case 131 management services provided by the department of health and senior services. For purposes 132 of this section, the term "case management" shall mean those activities of local public health 133 personnel to identify prospective MO HealthNet-eligible high-risk mothers and enroll them in 134 the state's MO HealthNet program, refer them to local physicians or local health departments 135 who provide prenatal care under physician protocol and who participate in the MO HealthNet 136 program for prenatal care and to ensure that said high-risk mothers receive support from all 137 private and public programs for which they are eligible and shall not include involvement in any 138 MO HealthNet prepaid, case-managed programs;

139 (22) By January 1, 1988, the department of social services and the department of health 140 and senior services shall study all significant aspects of presumptive eligibility for pregnant 141 women and submit a joint report on the subject, including projected costs and the time needed 142 for implementation, to the general assembly. The department of social services, at the direction 143 of the general assembly, may implement presumptive eligibility by regulation promulgated 144 pursuant to chapter 207;

145 (23) All participants who would be eligible for aid to families with dependent children
146 benefits except for the requirements of paragraph (d) of subdivision (1) of section 208.150;

(24) (a) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for old age assistance
benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, as authorized by 42 U.S.C.
Section 1396a(f), or less restrictive methodologies as contained in the MO HealthNet state plan
as of January 1, 2005; except that, on or after July 1, 2005, less restrictive income
methodologies, as authorized in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), may be used to change the
income limit if authorized by annual appropriation;

(b) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for aid to the blind benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, as authorized by 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(f), or less restrictive methodologies as contained in the MO HealthNet state plan as of January 1, 2005, except that less restrictive income methodologies, as authorized in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), shall be used to raise the income limit to one hundred percent of the federal poverty level;

(c) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for permanent and total disability
benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, as authorized by 42 U.S.C.
Section 1396a(f); or less restrictive methodologies as contained in the MO HealthNet state plan

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162 as of January 1, 2005; except that, on or after July 1, 2005, less restrictive income 163 methodologies, as authorized in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), may be used to change the 164 income limit if authorized by annual appropriations. Eligibility standards for permanent and total 165 disability benefits shall not be limited by age;

166 (25) Persons who have been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer and who are 167 eligible for coverage pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII). Such persons 168 shall be eligible during a period of presumptive eligibility in accordance with 42 U.S.C. Section 169 1396r-1;

170 (26) Effective August 28, [2013] 2020, persons who [are] were in foster care under the 171 responsibility of the state of Missouri [on the date such persons attained the age of eighteen 172 years, or at any time during the thirty-day period preceding their eighteenth birthday] at any time 173 when such persons were thirteen years of age or older, without regard to income or assets, 174 if such persons:

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(a) Are under twenty-six years of age;

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178 (27) Any homeless child or homeless youth as those terms are defined in section
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(c) Were covered by Medicaid while they were in foster care;

(b) Are not eligible for coverage under another mandatory coverage group; and

180 2. Rules and regulations to implement this section shall be promulgated in accordance 181 with chapter 536. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that 182 is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies 183 with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. 184 This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general 185 assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and 186 annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and 187 any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2002, shall be invalid and void.

188 3. After December 31, 1973, and before April 1, 1990, any family eligible for assistance 189 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as amended, in at least three of the last six months 190 immediately preceding the month in which such family became ineligible for such assistance 191 because of increased income from employment shall, while a member of such family is 192 employed, remain eligible for MO HealthNet benefits for four calendar months following the 193 month in which such family would otherwise be determined to be ineligible for such assistance 194 because of income and resource limitation. After April 1, 1990, any family receiving aid 195 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as amended, in at least three of the six months 196 immediately preceding the month in which such family becomes ineligible for such aid, because 197 of hours of employment or income from employment of the caretaker relative, shall remain 198 eligible for MO HealthNet benefits for six calendar months following the month of such 199 ineligibility as long as such family includes a child as provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-6. 200 Each family which has received such medical assistance during the entire six-month period 201 described in this section and which meets reporting requirements and income tests established 202 by the division and continues to include a child as provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-6 shall 203 receive MO HealthNet benefits without fee for an additional six months. The MO HealthNet 204 division may provide by rule and as authorized by annual appropriation the scope of MO 205 HealthNet coverage to be granted to such families.

4. When any individual has been determined to be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits, such medical assistance will be made available to him or her for care and services furnished in or after the third month before the month in which he made application for such assistance if such individual was, or upon application would have been, eligible for such assistance at the time such care and services were furnished; provided, further, that such medical expenses remain unpaid.

212 5. The department of social services may apply to the federal Department of Health and 213 Human Services for a MO HealthNet waiver amendment to the Section 1115 demonstration 214 waiver or for any additional MO HealthNet waivers necessary not to exceed one million dollars 215 in additional costs to the state, unless subject to appropriation or directed by statute, but in no 216 event shall such waiver applications or amendments seek to waive the services of a rural health 217 clinic or a federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d(I)(1) and (2) 218 or the payment requirements for such clinics and centers as provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 219 1396a(a)(15) and 1396a(bb) unless such waiver application is approved by the oversight 220 committee created in section 208.955. A request for such a waiver so submitted shall only 221 become effective by executive order not sooner than ninety days after the final adjournment of 222 the session of the general assembly to which it is submitted, unless it is disapproved within sixty 223 days of its submission to a regular session by a senate or house resolution adopted by a majority 224 vote of the respective elected members thereof, unless the request for such a waiver is made 225 subject to appropriation or directed by statute.

6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in any given fiscal year, any persons made eligible for MO HealthNet benefits under subdivisions (1) to (22) of subsection 1 of this section shall only be eligible if annual appropriations are made for such eligibility. This subsection shall not apply to classes of individuals listed in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(I).

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