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HOUSE BILL NO. 354

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIDSON.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 208.151 and 208.662, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to MO HealthNet services for certain low-income women, with an emergency clause.

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

Section A. Sections 208.151 and 208.662, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 208.151 and 208.662, to read as follows: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, 9 including all persons under nineteen years of age who would be classified as dependent 10 children except for the requirements of subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 208.040. 11 Participants eligible under this subdivision who are participating in treatment court, as 12 defined in section 478.001, shall have their eligibility automatically extended sixty days from 13 the time their dependent child is removed from the custody of the participant, subject to 14 approval of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services;

15 (3) All participants receiving blind pension benefits;

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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16 (4) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for old age assistance 17 benefits, permanent and total disability benefits, or aid to the blind benefits under the 18 eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, or less restrictive standards as established 19 by rule of the family support division, who are sixty-five years of age or over and are patients 20 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;

(13) Children who have attained one year of age but have not attained six years of age who are eligible for medical assistance under 6401 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989) (42 U.S.C. Sections 1396a to 1396b). The family support division shall use an income eligibility standard equal to one hundred thirty-three percent of the federal poverty level established by the Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor agency;

53 (14) Children who have attained six years of age but have not attained nineteen years 54 of age. For children who have attained six years of age but have not attained nineteen years 55 of age, the family support division shall use an income assessment methodology which provides for eligibility when family income is equal to or less than equal to one hundred 56 57 percent of the federal poverty level established by the Department of Health and Human 58 Services, or its successor agency. As necessary to provide MO HealthNet coverage under this 59 subdivision, the department of social services may revise the state MO HealthNet plan to 60 extend coverage under 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) to children who have attained six years of age but have not attained nineteen years of age as permitted by paragraph 61 62 (2) of subsection (n) of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d using a more liberal income assessment 63 methodology as authorized by paragraph (2) of subsection (r) of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a;

64 (15) The family support division shall not establish a resource eligibility standard in 65 assessing eligibility for persons under subdivision (12), (13) or (14) of this subsection. The 66 MO HealthNet division shall define the amount and scope of benefits which are available to 67 individuals eligible under each of the subdivisions (12), (13), and (14) of this subsection, in 68 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;

72 (17) A child born to a woman eligible for and receiving MO HealthNet benefits under 73 this section on the date of the child's birth shall be deemed to have applied for MO HealthNet 74 benefits and to have been found eligible for such assistance under such plan on the date of 75 such birth and to remain eligible for such assistance for a period of time determined in 76 accordance with applicable federal and state law and regulations so long as the child is a 77 member of the woman's household and either the woman remains eligible for such assistance 78 or for children born on or after January 1, 1991, the woman would remain eligible for such 79 assistance if she were still pregnant. Upon notification of such child's birth, the family 80 support division shall assign a MO HealthNet eligibility identification number to the child so 81 that claims may be submitted and paid under such child's identification number;

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

subsection shall be informed of the aid to families with dependent children program and that
they are entitled to apply for such benefits. Any forms utilized by the family support division
for assessing eligibility under this chapter shall be as simple as practicable;

93 (19) Subject to appropriations necessary to recruit and train such staff, the family 94 support division shall provide one or more full-time, permanent eligibility specialists to 95 process applications for MO HealthNet benefits at the site of a health care provider, if the 96 health care provider requests the placement of such eligibility specialists and reimburses the 97 division for the expenses including but not limited to salaries, benefits, travel, training, 98 telephone, supplies, and equipment of such eligibility specialists. The division may provide a 99 health care provider with a part-time or temporary eligibility specialist at the site of a health care provider if the health care provider requests the placement of such an eligibility specialist 100 101 and reimburses the division for the expenses, including but not limited to the salary, benefits, 102 travel, training, telephone, supplies, and equipment, of such an eligibility specialist. The 103 division may seek to employ such eligibility specialists who are otherwise qualified for such 104 positions and who are current or former welfare participants. The division may consider 105 training such current or former welfare participants as eligibility specialists for this program; 106 (20) Pregnant women who are eligible for, have applied for and have received MO

107 HealthNet benefits under subdivision (2), (10), (11) or (12) of this subsection shall:

108 (a) Continue to be considered eligible for all pregnancy-related and postpartum MO 109 HealthNet benefits provided under section 208.152 until the end of the sixty-day period 110 beginning on the last day of their pregnancy. Pregnant women receiving mental health 111 treatment for postpartum depression or related mental health conditions within sixty days of 112 giving birth shall, subject to appropriations and any necessary federal approval, be eligible for 113 MO HealthNet benefits for mental health services for the treatment of postpartum depression 114 and related mental health conditions for up to twelve additional months. Pregnant women 115 receiving substance abuse treatment within sixty days of giving birth shall, subject to 116 appropriations and any necessary federal approval, be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits for 117 substance abuse treatment and mental health services for the treatment of substance abuse for 118 no more than twelve additional months, as long as the woman remains adherent with 119 treatment. The department of mental health and the department of social services shall seek 120 any necessary waivers or state plan amendments from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 121 Services and shall develop rules relating to treatment plan adherence. No later than fifteen 122 months after receiving any necessary waiver, the department of mental health and the 123 department of social services shall report to the house of representatives budget committee 124 and the senate appropriations committee on the compliance with federal cost neutrality 125 requirements; and

126 (b) Be eligible for medical assistance during the pregnancy and during the 127 twelve-month period that begins on the last day of the woman's pregnancy and ends on 128 the last day of the month in which such twelve-month period ends, consistent with the 129 provisions of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(e)(16). The department of social services shall 130 submit a state plan amendment to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services 131 within sixty days of the effective date of this paragraph. The provisions of this 132 paragraph shall remain in effect for any period of time during which the federal 133 authority under 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(e)(16), as amended, or any successor statutes or 134 implementing regulations, is in effect;

135 (21) Case management services for pregnant women and young children at risk shall 136 be a covered service. To the greatest extent possible, and in compliance with federal law and 137 regulations, the department of health and senior services shall provide case management 138 services to pregnant women by contract or agreement with the department of social services 139 through local health departments organized under the provisions of chapter 192 or chapter 140 205 or a city health department operated under a city charter or a combined city-county health 141 department or other department of health and senior services designees. To the greatest extent 142 possible the department of social services and the department of health and senior services 143 shall mutually coordinate all services for pregnant women and children with the crippled 144 children's program, the prevention of intellectual disability and developmental disability program and the prenatal care program administered by the department of health and senior 145 146 services. The department of social services shall by regulation establish the methodology for 147 reimbursement for case management services provided by the department of health and senior 148 For purposes of this section, the term "case management" shall mean those services. 149 activities of local public health personnel to identify prospective MO HealthNet-eligible high-150 risk mothers and enroll them in the state's MO HealthNet program, refer them to local 151 physicians or local health departments who provide prenatal care under physician protocol 152 and who participate in the MO HealthNet program for prenatal care and to ensure that said 153 high-risk mothers receive support from all private and public programs for which they are 154 eligible and shall not include involvement in any MO HealthNet prepaid, case-managed 155 programs;

156 (22) By January 1, 1988, the department of social services and the department of 157 health and senior services shall study all significant aspects of presumptive eligibility for 158 pregnant women and submit a joint report on the subject, including projected costs and the 159 time needed for implementation, to the general assembly. The department of social services, 160 at the direction of the general assembly, may implement presumptive eligibility by regulation 161 promulgated pursuant to chapter 207;

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

165 (24) (a) All persons who would be determined to be eligible for old age assistance 166 benefits under the eligibility standards in effect December 31, 1973, as authorized by 42 167 U.S.C. Section 1396a(f), or less restrictive methodologies as contained in the MO HealthNet 168 state plan as of January 1, 2005; except that, on or after July 1, 2005, less restrictive income 169 methodologies, as authorized in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(r)(2), may be used to change the 170 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 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 appropriations. Eligibility standards for permanent and total disability benefits shall not be limited by age;

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

(26) Persons who are in foster care under the responsibility of the state of Missouri on the date such persons attained the age of eighteen years, or at any time during the thirty-day period preceding their eighteenth birthday, or persons who received foster care for at least six months in another state, are residing in Missouri, and are at least eighteen years of age, without regard to income or assets, if such persons:

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

194 105 (b) Are not eligible for coverage under another mandatory coverage group; and

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(c) Were covered by Medicaid while they were in foster care;

(27) Any homeless child or homeless youth, as those terms are defined in section
167.020, subject to approval of a state plan amendment by the Centers for Medicare and
Medicaid Services.

199 2. Rules and regulations to implement this section shall be promulgated in accordance 200 with chapter 536. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that 201 is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it 202 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 203 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with 204 the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to 205 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of 206 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2002, shall be invalid 207 and void.

208 3. After December 31, 1973, and before April 1, 1990, any family eligible for 209 assistance pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as amended, in at least three of the last six months immediately preceding the month in which such family became ineligible for such 210 211 assistance because of increased income from employment shall, while a member of such 212 family is employed, remain eligible for MO HealthNet benefits for four calendar months 213 following the month in which such family would otherwise be determined to be ineligible for 214 such assistance because of income and resource limitation. After April 1, 1990, any family 215 receiving aid pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as amended, in at least three of the 216 six months immediately preceding the month in which such family becomes ineligible for 217 such aid, because of hours of employment or income from employment of the caretaker 218 relative, shall remain eligible for MO HealthNet benefits for six calendar months following 219 the month of such ineligibility as long as such family includes a child as provided in 42 220 U.S.C. Section 1396r-6. Each family which has received such medical assistance during the 221 entire six-month period described in this section and which meets reporting requirements and 222 income tests established by the division and continues to include a child as provided in 42 223 U.S.C. Section 1396r-6 shall receive MO HealthNet benefits without fee for an additional six 224 months. The MO HealthNet division may provide by rule and as authorized by annual 225 appropriation the scope of MO 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.

5. The department of social services may apply to the federal Department of Health and Human Services for a MO HealthNet waiver amendment to the Section 1115 demonstration waiver or for any additional MO HealthNet waivers necessary not to exceed one million dollars in additional costs to the state, unless subject to appropriation or directed

by statute, but in no event shall such waiver applications or amendments seek to waive the services of a rural health clinic or a federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C.

238 Section 1396d(1)(1) and (2) or the payment requirements for such clinics and centers as 239 provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(15) and 1396a(bb) unless such waiver application is 240 approved by the oversight committee created in section 208.955. A request for such a waiver 241 so submitted shall only become effective by executive order not sooner than ninety days after 242 the final adjournment of the session of the general assembly to which it is submitted, unless it 243 is disapproved within sixty days of its submission to a regular session by a senate or house 244 resolution adopted by a majority vote of the respective elected members thereof, unless the 245 request for such a waiver is made 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).

7. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a military service member, or an immediate family member residing with such military service member, who is a legal resident of this state and is eligible for MO HealthNet developmental disability services, shall have his or her eligibility for MO HealthNet developmental disability services temporarily suspended for any period of time during which such person temporarily resides outside of this state for reasons relating to military service, but shall have his or her eligibility immediately restored upon returning to this state to reside.

258 (2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a military service 259 member, or an immediate family member residing with such military service member, is not a 260 legal resident of this state, but would otherwise be eligible for MO HealthNet developmental 261 disability services, such individual shall be deemed eligible for MO HealthNet developmental 262 disability services for the duration of any time in which such individual is temporarily present 263 in this state for reasons relating to military service.

208.662. 1. There is hereby established within the department of social services the 2 "Show-Me Healthy Babies Program" as a separate children's health insurance program 3 (CHIP) for any low-income unborn child. The program shall be established under the 4 authority of Title XXI of the federal Social Security Act, the State Children's Health 5 Insurance Program, as amended, and 42 CFR 457.1.

6 2. For an unborn child to be enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program, his or 7 her mother shall not be eligible for coverage under Title XIX of the federal Social Security 8 Act, the Medicaid program, as it is administered by the state, and shall not have access to 9 affordable employer-subsidized health care insurance or other affordable health care coverage

10 that includes coverage for the unborn child. In addition, the unborn child shall be in a family 11 with income eligibility of no more than three hundred percent of the federal poverty level, or 12 the equivalent modified adjusted gross income, unless the income eligibility is set lower by the general assembly through appropriations. In calculating family size as it relates to income 13 14 eligibility, the family shall include, in addition to other family members, the unborn child, or 15 in the case of a mother with a multiple pregnancy, all unborn children.

16 3. Coverage for an unborn child enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program 17 shall include all prenatal care and pregnancy-related services that benefit the health of the unborn child and that promote healthy labor, delivery, and birth. Coverage need not include 18 services that are solely for the benefit of the pregnant mother, that are unrelated to 19 20 maintaining or promoting a healthy pregnancy, and that provide no benefit to the unborn 21 child. However, the department may include pregnancy-related assistance as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1397ll. 22

23 4. There shall be no waiting period before an unborn child may be enrolled in the 24 show-me healthy babies program. In accordance with the definition of child in 42 CFR 457.10, coverage shall include the period from conception to birth. The department shall 25 26 develop a presumptive eligibility procedure for enrolling an unborn child. There shall be 27 verification of the pregnancy.

28 5. Coverage for the child shall continue for up to one year after birth, unless otherwise 29 prohibited by law or unless otherwise limited by the general assembly through appropriations.

30 6. (1) Pregnancy-related and postpartum coverage for the mother shall begin on the 31 day the pregnancy ends and extend through the last day of the month that includes the sixtieth day after the pregnancy ends, unless otherwise prohibited by law or unless otherwise limited 32 33 by the general assembly through appropriations. The department may include pregnancyrelated assistance as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1397ll. 34

35 (2) Mothers eligible to receive coverage under this section shall receive medical assistance benefits during the pregnancy and during the twelve-month period that 36 37 begins on the last day of the woman's pregnancy and ends on the last day of the month 38 in which such twelve-month period ends, consistent with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 39 Section 1397gg(e)(1)(J). The department shall seek any necessary state plan amendments or waivers to implement the provisions of this subdivision within sixty 40 days of the effective date of this subdivision. The provisions of this subdivision shall 41 42 remain in effect for any period of time during which the federal authority under 42 43 U.S.C. Section 1397gg(e)(1)(J), as amended, or any successor statutes or implementing 44 regulations, is in effect.

45 7. The department shall provide coverage for an unborn child enrolled in the showme healthy babies program in the same manner in which the department provides coverage 46

for the children's health insurance program (CHIP) in the county of the primary residence ofthe mother.

8. The department shall provide information about the show-me healthy babies program to maternity homes as defined in section 135.600, pregnancy resource centers as defined in section 135.630, and other similar agencies and programs in the state that assist unborn children and their mothers. The department shall consider allowing such agencies and programs to assist in the enrollment of unborn children in the program, and in making determinations about presumptive eligibility and verification of the pregnancy.

9. Within sixty days after August 28, 2014, the department shall submit a state plan
amendment or seek any necessary waivers from the federal Department of Health and Human
Services requesting approval for the show-me healthy babies program.

10. At least annually, the department shall prepare and submit a report to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the president pro tempore of the senate analyzing and projecting the cost savings and benefits, if any, to the state, counties, local communities, school districts, law enforcement agencies, correctional centers, health care providers, employers, other public and private entities, and persons by enrolling unborn children in the show-me healthy babies program. The analysis and projection of cost savings and benefits, if any, may include but need not be limited to:

(1) The higher federal matching rate for having an unborn child enrolled in the showme healthy babies program versus the lower federal matching rate for a pregnant woman
being enrolled in MO HealthNet or other federal programs;

68 (2) The efficacy in providing services to unborn children through managed care 69 organizations, group or individual health insurance providers or premium assistance, or 70 through other nontraditional arrangements of providing health care;

(3) The change in the proportion of unborn children who receive care in the first trimester of pregnancy due to a lack of waiting periods, by allowing presumptive eligibility, or by removal of other barriers, and any resulting or projected decrease in health problems and other problems for unborn children and women throughout pregnancy; at labor, delivery, and birth; and during infancy and childhood;

(4) The change in healthy behaviors by pregnant women, such as the cessation of the use of tobacco, alcohol, illicit drugs, or other harmful practices, and any resulting or projected short-term and long-term decrease in birth defects; poor motor skills; vision, speech, and hearing problems; breathing and respiratory problems; feeding and digestive problems; and other physical, mental, educational, and behavioral problems; and

(5) The change in infant and maternal mortality, preterm births and low birth weight
babies and any resulting or projected decrease in short-term and long-term medical and other
interventions.

84 11. The show-me healthy babies program shall not be deemed an entitlement 85 program, but instead shall be subject to a federal allotment or other federal appropriations and 86 matching state appropriations.

12. Nothing in this section shall be construed as obligating the state to continue the show-me healthy babies program if the allotment or payments from the federal government end or are not sufficient for the program to operate, or if the general assembly does not appropriate funds for the program.

91 13. Nothing in this section shall be construed as expanding MO HealthNet or92 fulfilling a mandate imposed by the federal government on the state.

Section B. Because of the importance of ensuring healthy pregnancies and healthy women and children in Missouri in the face of growing maternal mortality, section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

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