

**Representative James A. Dunnigan** proposes the following substitute bill:

**UTAH CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: James A. Dunnigan**

Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends the Children's Health Insurance Program.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ amends the program benefits by January 1, 2008.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**26-40-106**, as enacted by Chapter 360, Laws of Utah 1998

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **26-40-106** is amended to read:

**26-40-106. Program benefits.**

[At] (1) Until the department implements a plan under Subsection (2), at a minimum,  
program benefits shall include:



- 26            [~~1~~] (a) hospital services;
- 27            [~~2~~] (b) physician services;
- 28            [~~3~~] (c) laboratory services;
- 29            [~~4~~] (d) prescription drugs;
- 30            [~~5~~] (e) mental health services;
- 31            [~~6~~] (f) basic dental services;
- 32            [~~7~~] (g) preventive care including:
- 33            [~~a~~] (i) routine physical examinations;
- 34            [~~b~~] (ii) immunizations;
- 35            [~~c~~] (iii) basic vision services; and
- 36            [~~d~~] (iv) basic hearing services;
- 37            [~~8~~] (h) limited home health and durable medical equipment services; and
- 38            [~~9~~] (i) hospice care.

39            (2) (a) No later than January 1, 2008, the program benefits shall be benchmarked, in  
40 accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1397cc, to be actuarial equivalent to a benefit plan with the largest  
41 insured commercial enrollment offered by a health maintenance organization in the state.

42            (b) After January 1, 2008, program benefits may not exceed the benefit level described  
43 in Subsection (2)(a).

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations. Savings from reduced State's cost of providing services under the Children's Health Insurance Program will most likely be used to expand enrollment in the program.

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for local governments. Individuals participating in the program would see increased co-pays and deductibles. If more children are provided insurance coverage, this could reduce the amount of uncompensated care for children provided by private and public health care facilities.

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