

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 424

By: Adelson, Crain, Riley and
Wilson of the Senate

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4 Cox of the House

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7 [insurance - creating the All Kids Act - specifying
8 portion of funding for program - directing
9 expansion of the Postponing Sexual Involvement
10 (PSI) for Young Teens program - codification -
11 effective date]

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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1009.1 of Title 56, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall be known and may be cited
18 as the "All Kids Act".

19 B. The Legislature finds that, for the economic and social
20 benefit of all residents of the State of Oklahoma, it is important
21 to enable all children of this state to access affordable health
22 insurance that offers comprehensive coverage and emphasizes
23 preventative health care. Numerous studies, including the Institute
24 of Medicine's report, Health Insurance Matters, demonstrate that

1 lack of insurance negatively affects health status. The Legislature
2 further finds that access to health care is a key component for
3 children's healthy development and successful education. The
4 effects of lack of insurance also negatively impact those who are
5 insured because the cost of paying for care for the uninsured is
6 shifted to those who have insurance in the form of higher health
7 insurance premiums. A Families USA 2005 report indicates that by
8 2010, family premiums in Oklahoma will increase by Two Thousand
9 Eleven Dollars (\$2,011.00) due to cost-shifting from the uninsured.
10 It is, therefore, the intent of the All Kids Act to provide access
11 to affordable health insurance to all children in Oklahoma.

12 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1009.2 of Title 56, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. On or before January 1, 2011, the Oklahoma Health Care
16 Authority shall establish and maintain a program to provide medical
17 coverage assistance to children, eighteen (18) years of age or
18 younger, whose family incomes are between one hundred eighty-five
19 percent (185%) and three hundred percent (300%) of the federal
20 poverty level.

21 B. To be eligible for the program, the child must:

22 1. Be a resident of the State of Oklahoma;

23 2. Be ineligible for medical assistance under the state

24 Medicaid program; and

1 3. Have been without health insurance coverage for a period set
2 forth by the Authority, but not less than six (6) months during the
3 first month of operation of the program, except in the following
4 situations:

5 a. loss of employment by a parent which made available
6 affordable dependent health insurance coverage, until
7 such time as affordable employer-sponsored dependent
8 health insurance coverage is again available for the
9 child as set forth by the Authority,

10 b. affordable private or employer-sponsored health
11 insurance is unavailable to the responsible relative
12 of a newborn, or

13 c. loss of medical benefits under the state Medicaid
14 program within one year of applying for coverage under
15 the All Kids Act.

16 C. The Authority shall provide assistance to families in
17 gaining health care benefits for children in the program by offering
18 subsidies toward the cost of privately sponsored health insurance,
19 including, but not limited to, employer-sponsored health insurance
20 provided through the state's premium assistance program.

21 D. If privately sponsored health insurance is not available,
22 the Authority may allow applicants to purchase access to the state-
23 administered health care benefit under the premium assistance
24 program.

1 E. The Authority is authorized to offer partial coverage to
2 children who are enrolled in a high-deductible private health
3 insurance plan or to offer a limited package of benefits to children
4 in families who have private or employer-sponsored health insurance
5 coverage which does not cover certain benefits, including, but not
6 limited to, dental or vision benefits.

7 F. The families of children who are enrolled in this program
8 shall be subject to the following cost-sharing requirements:

9 1. Cost-sharing provisions stated in privately sponsored health
10 insurance plans for children enrolled in such plans; and

11 2. Cost-sharing methods and levels to be set forth by the
12 Authority for individuals participating in the state-administered
13 premium assistance program. Such cost-sharing shall be on a sliding
14 scale based on family income and may be periodically modified by the
15 Authority.

16 Notwithstanding paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection, there
17 shall be no co-payment required for well-baby or well-child health
18 care for children enrolled in the program, including, but not
19 limited to, age-appropriate immunizations as required under state or
20 federal law.

21 G. The Authority shall promulgate rules to determine
22 eligibility and enrollment of children in the program.

23 H. The Authority shall submit to the federal Centers for
24 Medicare and Medicaid Services an application for any waivers or any

1 state plan amendments required to amend the state Medicaid plan to
2 enact the provisions of the All Kids Act.

3 I. Funding for this act shall be provided from the Oklahoma
4 Tobacco Settlement Trust as permitted by the Oklahoma Constitution
5 and, if such funds are insufficient to fund this act, from unused
6 funds from the Oklahoma Employer/Employee Partnership for Insurance
7 Coverage pursuant to Section 1010.1 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma
8 Statutes.

9 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-237.1 of Title 63, unless
11 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 A. On or before January 1, 2011, the State Department of Health
13 shall contract with community or faith-based organizations in order
14 to expand the Postponing Sexual Involvement (PSI) for Young Teens
15 program. The purpose of the program shall be to reduce the
16 incidence of teen pregnancies in this state by encouraging teenagers
17 to abstain from sexual activities.

18 B. The Postponing Sexual Involvement (PSI) for Young Teens
19 program shall be directed to geographic areas in the state where the
20 teen birth rate is higher than the state average and where the
21 children and their families are in greatest need because of an
22 unfavorable combination of economic, social, environmental, and
23 health factors, including, without limitation, extensive poverty,
24 high crime rate, great incidence of low birth weight babies, high

1 incidence of alcohol and drug abuse, and high rates of teen
2 pregnancy. The selection of a geographic site shall also consider
3 the incidence of young children within these at-risk geographic
4 areas who are cocaine babies, children of teenage parents, low birth
5 weight babies, and very young foster children.

6 C. Funding for this program shall be provided from the Oklahoma
7 Tobacco Settlement Trust as permitted by the Oklahoma Constitution
8 and, if such funds are insufficient to fund this program, from
9 unused funds from the Oklahoma Employer/Employee Partnership for
10 Insurance Coverage pursuant to Section 1010.1 of Title 56 of the
11 Oklahoma Statutes.

12 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2007.

13 Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 2007.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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17 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,

18 2007.

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