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## Bill Summary

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This resolution:

- provides findings related to the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP);
- urges Congress to reauthorize the SCHIP program;
- urges the governor to work with the state congressional delegation to ensure reauthorization;
- states that all components of state government should work with educators, providers, and social workers to ensure that all available public and private assistance for the uninsured is used to the maximum extent; and
- urges the governor to assist in identifying and enrolling children and parents who qualify for MA or MinnesotaCare and are eligible for SCHIP funding.

SCHIP is a federal-state program that provides funding for states at an enhanced federal matching rate to provide health coverage for uninsured low-income children and other populations. The program has been authorized by the federal government through federal FY 2007. Minnesota is expected to receive \$60.7 million in federal SCHIP funding in state FY 2007. Minnesota uses SCHIP funding to cover: (1) MA services to children under age two with household incomes greater than 275 percent but not exceeding 280 percent of FPG; (2) prenatal care and labor and delivery services for uninsured pregnant women who are ineligible for MA with federal funding, due to immigration status; and (3)

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MinnesotaCare services for parents with incomes greater than 100 percent but not exceeding 200 percent of FPG.