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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 826

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to medical assistance for needy
7 persons; and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 47.07.020 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

10 Sec. 47.07.020. ELIGIBLE PERSONS. (a) All residents of the
11 state for whom the Social Security Act requires medicaid coverage are
12 eligible to receive medical assistance under title XIX of that Act (42
13 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.).

14 (b) In addition to the persons specified in (a) of this section,
15 the following optional groups of persons for whom the state may claim
16 federal financial participation are eligible for medical assistance;

17 (1) persons eligible for but not receiving assistance under
18 any plan of the state approved under part A of title IV (aid to families
19 with dependent children), or title XVI (supplemental security income),
20 of the Social Security Act;

21 (2) persons in a general hospital, skilled nursing facility
22 or intermediate care facility, who, if they left the facility, would be
23 eligible for assistance under one of the federal programs specified in
24 (1) of this subsection;

25 (3) persons under 21 years of age under supervision of the
26 department for whom maintenance is being paid in whole or in part from
27 public funds and who are in foster homes or private child-care institu-
28 tions; and

29 (4) aged, blind, or disabled persons, who, because they do

1 not meet income and resources requirements, do not receive supplemental
2 security income under title XVI of the Social Security Act, and who do
3 not receive a mandatory state supplement, but who are eligible, or would
4 be eligible if they were not in a general hospital or skilled nursing
5 facility or intermediate care facility to receive an optional state
6 supplementary payment.

7 (c) Receipt of medical assistance under this chapter is considered
8 to be an additional benefit to these individuals and does not affect
9 other assistance payments, federal or state, for which the recipient is
eligible.

11 (d) No additional groups may be added unless approved by the
12 legislature.

13 * Sec. 2. AS 47.07.030 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 47.07.030. MEDICAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED. Medical services
15 to be offered to eligible persons include inpatient hospital, out-
16 patient hospital, laboratory and X-ray, inpatient psychiatric hospital
17 for persons age 65 or older and persons under age 21, skilled and
18 intermediate nursing home, physician, [PHYSICIANS AND] home health care
19 services, early periodic screening diagnosis and treatment of persons
20 [. IF REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW OR VALID FEDERAL REGULATION, THEN THE
21 MEDICAL SERVICES OF DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SCREENING SERVICES TO INCLUDE
22 DENTAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN] under 21 years of age, and reasonable
23 transportation to and from the point of medical care [, SHALL BE PRO-
24 VIDED]. No additional services may be provided unless approved by the
25 legislature.

26 * Sec. 3. The eligibility provisions specified in sec. 1 of this Act, and
27 coverage for the services specified in sec. 2 of this Act, shall be applied
28 retroactively to include all persons applying for medical assistance after
29 December 31, 1973.

1 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval
2 or on the day it becomes law without approval.
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