

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS27610 / H0499

The purpose of this bill is to amend the State Plan to cover home visitation for Medicaid participants. Cost-benefit analyses show that high quality home visiting programs offer returns on investment ranging from \$1.75 to \$5.70 for every dollar spent due to reduced costs of child protection, K-12 special education and grade retention, and criminal justice expense. This estimate uses the mid-point of \$3.26. The goal is to provide services for families prenatal through age five in the home setting by a qualified provider.

FISCAL NOTE

State: Total state cost estimate is \$2M from the state general fund, while state savings estimate is \$6.6M.

Federal: Total demonstration federal costs estimate is \$4.7M, while federal savings estimate is \$15.3.

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