

SENATE BILL 2526

By Briggs

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;  
Title 33; Title 56 and Title 71, relative to medical  
assistance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-126, is amended by deleting the section and substituting the following:

(a) The governor, acting through the commissioner of finance and administration, is directed to submit to the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services a waiver amendment to the existing TennCare II waiver, or to submit a new waiver, no later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the effective date of this act, that:

(1) Provides medical assistance coverage for the same population groups and services as the Insure Tennessee proposal, as described in TennCare Demonstration Amendment #25;

(2) Retains any block grant financing arrangement established pursuant to § 71-5-163; and

(3) Retains all work and community engagement requirements established pursuant to § 71-5-158.

(b) A waiver amendment to the existing TennCare II waiver requested pursuant to subsection (a), if approved by the federal government and the commissioner of finance and administration, does not take effect unless subsequently authorized by joint resolution of the general assembly.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring  
it.