

Washington Update on Medicaid

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Protecting Children's Health in Schools Act of 2007

- **Senate: S. 578**
 - Introduced by Sen. Kennedy in February
 - Finance Committee (22 cosponsors)
- **House: H.R. 1017**
 - Introduced by Reps. Dingell, Miller, Whitfield in February (20 cosponsors)
 - Energy and Commerce Committee
- **Status?**

State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)

- Children's Health and Medicare Protection Act of 2007 (H.R. 3162) – passed the House on 8/1/07
 - Includes 1-year moratorium
- Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007 (S. 1893)
“placed on the Senate Legislative Calendar”

Appropriations as a Vehicle for Moratorium?

- House passed Labor/HHS/Education FY 08 appropriations 7/19
- Senate voted out of Committee 6/21
 - No floor vote scheduled – looking at CR
 - No groundswell of support to include moratorium language

Organization Activities

- State coalition letter
- Ed/disability group letter
- Dear Colleague letter (Senate)
- State coalition press briefing

