2002-03 Executive Budget 30-Day AMENDMENTS February 21, 2002

Amendments to Senate 6261/NSA (Health Care Reform Act Article VII bill)

New sections 5, 6 and 7 are added to:

- Clarify that up to \$2.5 million should be available annually from the Health Care Reform Act (HCRA) for Family Health Plus (FHP) administrative expenses.
- Reallocate \$2.5 million in FHP HCRA authorization to make additional funds available for administrative expenses related to facilitated enrollment efforts. Overall HCRA funding authorization for FHP will not be increased.
- Allow less than the specified amounts to be transferred from the Tobacco Pool to the EPIC Premium Account in the event that Federal funds are made available for the same purpose.
- Allow funds to be returned to the Tobacco Pool from the EPIC Premium Account in the event that funds in that account are in excess of the amount needed to fund the EPIC program.