

April 13, 1999

S 890. EXPAND HEALTH CARE ACCESS. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PILOT PROJECTS TO EXPAND ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE.* Blank bill.

Intro. by Metcalf.

Ref. to Rules

APPROP

May 12, 1999

S 890. EXPAND HEALTH CARE ACCESS. Intro. 4/12/99. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces blank bill and changes title to an act TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT PUBLIC-PRIVATE PILOT PROJECTS TO EXPAND ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE. Establishes Health Care Access Pilot Program to be administered by DHHS, Div'n of Research and Development. States that purpose is to improve health care access by securing voluntary participation of health care providers and facilities for uninsured low-income persons who are not eligible for government subsidized health care. Authorizes Div'n to award grants to between six to eight pilot projects at the matching rate of \$1 of state grant funds for each \$1 of local funds or in-kind services. Limits grant funds in each fiscal year to \$100,000 for each pilot project serving a single county and \$200,000 for each pilot project serving two or more counties. Provides that state funds shall be used to pay for drugs or devices prescribed by health care providers donating their professional services. Requires DHHS to submit progress report no later than 4/1/2000 and final report no later than 4/1/2001 to House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Human Resources, and Fiscal Research Division. Appropriates from General Fund to DHHS, Div'n of Research and Development, \$800,000 each year of the 1999-2001 biennium. Effective July 1, 1999.