

(D) AN ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE MAY NOT ENROLL A DEPENDENT DURING A SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD UNLESS THE ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE:

(1) IS ENROLLED UNDER THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN; OR

(2) APPLIES FOR COVERAGE FOR THE ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE DURING THE SAME SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD.

~~(D)~~ (E) THE SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN 31 DAYS AND SHALL BEGIN ON THE LATER OF:

(1) THE DATE DEPENDENT COVERAGE IS MADE AVAILABLE; OR

(2) THE DATE OF THE MARRIAGE, BIRTH, ADOPTION, OR PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE.

~~(E)~~ (F) IF AN INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE ENROLLS ANY OF THE PERSONS INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION DURING THE FIRST 31 DAYS OF THE SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD, THE COVERAGE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) IN THE CASE OF MARRIAGE, NOT LATER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF THE FIRST MONTH BEGINNING AFTER THE DATE THE COMPLETED REQUEST FOR ENROLLMENT IS RECEIVED;

(2) IN THE CASE OF A DEPENDENT'S BIRTH, AS OF THE DATE OF THE DEPENDENT'S BIRTH; AND

(3) IN THE CASE OF A DEPENDENT'S ADOPTION OR PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION, THE DATE OF ADOPTION OR PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

May 18, 2000

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 97 – Unemployment Insurance – Self-Employment Assistance Program – Modification of Termination Date.

This bill modifies the termination date for the Self-Employment Assistance Program to provide that the Program will remain effective until the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR) determines that federal funding, as well as other funding sources for the Program are no longer available.