

1 Introduced by House Committee on Health Care

2 Referred to Committee on

3 Date:

4 Subject: Health; Agency of Human Services; Dr. Dynasaur; pregnant women;
5 children; immigration

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to expand
7 eligibility for Dr. Dynasaur to all income-eligible children and pregnant
8 individuals, regardless of immigration status, by July 1, 2022. It would
9 appropriate one-time funds to the Agency of Human Services to begin
10 implementing the expansion and would direct the Agency to include the full
11 costs of covering income-eligible pregnant women and children who are
12 undocumented immigrants on Dr. Dynasaur in the Department’s fiscal year
13 2023 budget proposal.

14 An act relating to expanding eligibility for Dr. Dynasaur to all income-
15 eligible children and pregnant individuals regardless of immigration status

16 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

17 Sec. 1. 33 V.S.A. § 1901c is added to read:

18 § 1901c. DR. DYNASAUR COVERAGE FOR UNDOCUMENTED

19 IMMIGRANTS

1 The Agency of Human Services shall provide coverage under the Dr.
2 Dynasaur program to children and pregnant individuals who are undocumented
3 immigrants but who would otherwise be eligible for medical assistance from
4 the State under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) of Title XIX of the Social
5 Security Act.

6 Sec. 2. AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; DR. DYNASAUR
7 EXPANSION; APPROPRIATION

8 The sum of \$1,000,000.00 in one-time funds is appropriated to the Agency
9 of Human Services in fiscal year 2022 to begin implementation of the Dr.
10 Dynasaur expansion set forth in Sec. 1 of this act.

11 Sec. 3. AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; DR. DYNASAUR
12 EXPANSION; FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET PROPOSAL

13 The Agency of Human Services shall include the full costs of expanding
14 Dr. Dynasaur eligibility to undocumented immigrants pursuant to 33 V.S.A.
15 § 1901c in the Agency’s fiscal year 2023 budget proposal.

16 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATES

17 (a) Sec. 2 (Agency of Human Services; Dr. Dynasaur expansion;
18 appropriation) shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

19 (b) The remainder of this act shall take effect on passage, with the Agency
20 of Human Services making coverage available to eligible undocumented

- 1 immigrants under Dr. Dynasaur in accordance with Sec. 1 (33 V.S.A. § 1901c)
- 2 not later than July 1, 2022.