

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 180

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to eliminate the requirement for 3 months of retroactive coverage under the Medicaid program.

---

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2017

Mr. MULLIN (for himself and Mr. GUTHRIE) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

---

## A BILL

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to eliminate the requirement for 3 months of retroactive coverage under the Medicaid program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. ELIMINATION OF 3-MONTH RETROACTIVE COV-**  
4 **ERAGE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—

6 (1) STATE PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—Section  
7 1902(a)(34) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
8 1396a(a)(34)) is amended by striking “in or after  
9 the third month before the month in which he made

1 application” and inserting “in or after the month in  
2 which the individual made application”.

3 (2) DEFINITION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.—  
4 Section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (42  
5 U.S.C. 1396d(a)) is amended by striking “in or  
6 after the third month before the month in which the  
7 recipient makes application for assistance” and in-  
8 serting “in or after the month in which the recipient  
9 makes application for assistance”.

10 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
11 subsection (a) shall apply to medical assistance with re-  
12 spect to individuals whose eligibility for such assistance  
13 is based on an application for such assistance made (or  
14 deemed to be made) after the date of the enactment of  
15 this Act.

○