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Amendment to HB 1536-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT relative to expanding Medicaid to include certain postpartum health care services
4 and making an appropriation therefor.
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6 Amend RSA 167:68, IV(a) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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8 IV.(a) Pursuant to the state option under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to expand
9 maternity care under Medicaid and section 1902(e)(16) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
10 1396a(e)), the commissioner of the department of health and human services shall submit, no later
11 than August 15, 2022, a Medicaid state plan amendment to the federal Centers for Medicare and
12 Medicaid Services to establish and implement 12 months of continuous coverage for the entire
13 postpartum period. This benefit shall be available to anyone who received medical assistance under
14 the state plan for all pregnancy-related and postpartum medical assistance available under the state
15 plan through the last day of the month in which the 60-day period (beginning on the last day of her
16 pregnancy) ends, remain eligible under the state plan for medical assistance for the period beginning
17 on the first day occurring after the end of such 60-day period and ending on the last day of the month
18 in which the 12-month period (beginning on the last day of her pregnancy) ends.

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20 Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following and renumbering the original section 3 to
21 read as 4:

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23 3 Appropriation. The sum of \$200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 is hereby
24 appropriated to the department of health and human services for the purpose of expanding
25 postpartum health care services under the state Medicaid plan as provided in section 2 of this act.
26 The governor shall determine if any discretionary funds appropriated in the American Rescue Plan
27 Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, or any other federal funds, can be used for this purpose, and the
28 commissioner shall expend such federal funds for this purpose. Any remainder shall be appropriated
29 from the general fund. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for the general fund portion of
30 such sum from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.