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ACTION ALERT

***Urge U.S. Representative to Support
State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) Reauthorization***

October 15, 2007

ISSUE: Access to health care is critical for a just society. SCHIP, one of the most successful state and federal partnership programs, allows lower income, primarily working families to purchase health insurance for their children with financial assistance.

There is a great deal of confusion as to the actual content of the current SCHIP legislation. To review some of the common "myths and facts" (prepared by the Catholic Health Association), [click here](#). To see a summary of the bill, [click here](#).

Although this bill recently passed with bipartisan support, it was vetoed by the president. A vote in the U.S. House of Representatives to override this veto is expected on October 18, 2007.

ACTION: Email your United States Representative, thanking those who voted to reauthorize SCHIP and encouraging support among those who opposed it previously.

U.S. Representatives who recently voted to reauthorize SCHIP: Boyd, Brown, Buchanan, Hastings, Klein, Mahoney, Meek, Wasserman Schultz, Wexler and Young.

U.S. Representatives who previously opposed SCHIP: Bilirakis, Brown-Waite, Castor, Crenshaw, Diaz-Balart, L., Diaz-Balart, M., Feeney, Keller, Mack, Mica, Miller, Putnam, Ros-Lehtinen, Stearns and Weldon.