

Cannon Gets Behind National Health Insurance

LAS VEGAS--Legislation providing a national health insurance program to cover the often devastating medical cost of catastrophic illnesses and accidents is co-sponsored by Sen. Howard Cannon.

Cannon said the bill "represents the most sensible approach toward solving our country's principal health insurance problems."

It would deal with the most serious health care financing problems--lack of adequate catastrophic coverage for the general population and lack of adequate coverage for low income citizens, while at the same time stimulating the private health insurance industry to upgrade existing health insurance coverage.

Virtually all Americans would be eligible under the program to receive certain medical expenses if hospitalized more than 60 days, or if incurring expenses more than \$2000. "This approach of focusing on the most important problems, rather than instituting an across-the-board health insurance program would conserve scarce Federal resources," Cannon said.

He added the program would cost much less than the \$30 to \$70 billion increases in Federally mandated or funded health insurance coverage called for under other major proposals.

Cannon said the new program would also Federalize the Medicaid program for private health insurance. Under this program an employer would have an option to obtain catastrophic coverage either through the Federal program or through an approved private catastrophic insurance policy determined equivalent to the Federal program.

Head Start Recruiting

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The program does not follow the federal guidelines," Mrs. Dunn said.

The program had a \$247,800 budget for 1975, which will expire Dec. 31. It will apply for its 1976 budget in September. Dunn stated.

Head Start offers developmental educational activities, parent involvement, snacks, Class-A hot lunches, medical and psychological examinations, and immunizations, said Mrs. Dunn.

Children are accepted without regard to sex, color, race or religion. Handicapped children are also accepted, within

the federal guidelines," Mrs. Dunn said. The program had a \$247,800 budget for 1975, which will expire Dec. 31. It will apply for its 1976 budget in September. Dunn stated.

The Head Start Centers; Al L a n d s m a n in Henderson; Ernie Cragin, 2810 Ambler; presbyterian, 1515 W. Charlestonm; Logandale Farm in Moapa; Vegas View at 1906 Glider in North Las Vegas; and Marblemanor, T & ? & Morgan street.

Enrollments have to be made at the Economic Opportunity Board, at 900 W. Owens Avenue.

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The AKA's have a variety of educational and economic programs and Sigma Gamma Rho has special programs in health and housing. All of these highly important activities aimed at uplift and further advancement of Black Americans go largely unreported. And this is the complaint of the Greek letter organizations.

The publishers and the fraternities and sororities concluded that a two-part problem exists. (1) The Black Press, like all mass media, is more sensitive to conflict news than other types, and (2) the Greek letter groups are not inclined toward developing the types of stories that capture the interest of editors and readers. W.A. Scott III, Atlanta Daily World, served as a discussion leader.

In joining hands, the publishers agreed to improve their sensitivity to constructive news and to assist the fraternities and sororities in developing and writing more interesting stories about their programs to the end that the black community is better served.

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Deadline Approaches For Changing Political Hats

September 1st, 1975, is the deadline for changing your political affiliation if you are intending to be a candidate in the 1976 Elections. If you currently belong to one party and are thinking of running for office under another party label, the law requires that you change your political affiliation on your Affidavit of Registration prior to September 1st.

A change in political affiliation requires the filling out of a new Affidavit of Registration, and it must be done in person. Re-registration can take place either at the Clark County Election Department, the City Clerk's Office in Boulder City, Henderson, and North Las Vegas, or with any field Deputy Registrar.

If there are any questions concerning this political change for candidacy, please contact the Clark County Election Department, 382-4982.

ERC's Workshop Hailed As Success

Nevada Equal Rights Commission Executive Director Jesse D. Scott states the Commission's August 4, 1975, Affirmative Action Workshop held at UNR's Jot Travis Lounge was most successful.

Scott confirmed that Commission staff personnel would be available for assistance to help employers develop and/or refine their Affirmative Action Plans.

The Commission sent invitations to leading businesses and governmental agencies in Washoe County. Fifty-one responded and participated in the Workshop.

Edward Valenzuela, District Director, Phoenix District Office of the United States Equal Employment Opportunities Commission, was the keynote speaker; his presentation was "General Introduction to Affirmative Action, Including Statutory Provisions and Regulations at the Federal Level."

Ms. Claudette Enus, Commission Training Officer/Education and Research Coordinator, presented "The Basic Steps to Develop an Effective Affirmative Action Program." Ms. Enun put special emphasis on, "An Affirmative Action program is not a quota system." The program is developed by management to insure that the company will meet equal employment goals and timetables that will comply with the laws of Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act as amended.

The afternoon session included three group workshops designed for full audience participation. At the close of the workshop, Mr. Scott presented certificates of completion of formal training to each of the participants.

Scott further stated that a similar workshop would be held in Las Vegas during the spring of 1976.

McCarran Airport Going Metric

With the approach of the conversion to the metric system here in the United States, McCarran International Airport has installed a 40 kilometer sign on the entrance road to the Airport, the first such signing in Clark County. The 40 KmPH sign is attached to a 25 MPH sign, thus giving the motorist the benefit of adapting to the new system easily. All contracts, leases, exhibits and engineering reports now negotiated for McCarran International Airport will contain figures written in the English/Metric System.

HEW Takes Steps Against Welfare Errors

HEW initiated today another step in its continuing campaign to reduce costly errors in the Nations largest welfare program--aid to families with dependent children (AFDC).

It is proposed a change in Department regulations which would alter the way in which State agencies determine the amount of monthly cash grants for welfare recipients who also have some income from a job.

Under the proposal, States would no longer rely on current month estimates of recipient earnings, but would base the size of grants on actual earnings in the previous month. Recipients would have to report any income each month.

"This administration change is significant because it is aimed directly at eliminating what we have determined is a major cause of errors in AFDC management," said John A. Svahn, Acting Administrator of HEW's Social and Rehabilitation Service.

"Through our Quality Control program," Mr. Svahn pointed out, "we have been able to identify the weakness of using estimates instead of actual amounts of recipient earnings."

Published in the Federal Register today, the proposed regulation also would eliminate the possibility of teachers and others receiving AFDC cash assistance during the summer months when they have a contract to teach in the following Fall.

Mr. Svahn said that "this change in how State welfare agencies determine an AFDC recipient's income from a job or other sources will be more fair to the recipient because it bases each month's AFDC cash grant on actual rather than estimated income." Mr. Svahn added, "It also can result in substantial savings throughout the program."

Comments on the proposed regulation should be sent within 30 days to the Acting Administrator, SRS, HEW, P.O. Box 2382, Washington, D.C., 20013. Those received may be examined in room 5225, SRS, 330 C Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., beginning about two weeks from today on Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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