

HB 1200 Governor's Talking Points

1. Does not totally address Medicaid shortfall for FY 02 (provides \$108 Million of the \$158 Million needed)
2. Does not address FY 03 at all
3. Result includes cuts which terminate federal match and negatively effects our economy. More importantly, access to health care will be jeopardized.
4. Shifts burden to our Medicaid beneficiaries by increasing co-pays. With the fixed budgets that the beneficiaries have, this will force many to make the choice between if they afford to buy medicines or food.
5. Our providers will receive cuts and many will not continue to serve Medicaid beneficiaries worsening our access problems.