

“I think everyone in the House agrees that S-CHIP is a critically important program that should continue to provide health care to children from poor families. The disagreement is over who should be covered. Currently, there are more than 500,000 S-CHIP eligible children not currently enrolled in the program while 700,000 adults are receiving S-CHIP benefits.

“Simply put – we must ensure that poor children are covered before we expand the program to provide coverage for even more adults. Now that the president’s veto has been sustained, the majority needs to stop playing politics, so we can pass a bill that truly provides health-care to America’s neediest children.”