

Group Wants Lawmakers to Look at KidCare
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TALLAHASSEE, FL (AP) -- Florida's special legislative session that starts on Wednesday will focus on cutting the state budget and restoring a no-fault car insurance system. Now thousands of people backing an effort to get health insurance for children added to the session's agenda.



Today (Monday) a group rallied at the state Capitol in support of getting lawmakers to consider taking up the KidCare issue in the special session. They have gathered nearly 5,000 signed letters from people who want the issue addressed now, rather than next year. The letters were delivered to state leaders today.

KidCare provides low-cost health insurance for children, but thousands of children lose eligibility every month because of changing requirements.

Nilda Santana, whose three children are covered by KidCare, says the program has too many barriers and must be simplified for families.

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