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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to eligibility for the WAGES
Program (RAB); amending s. 414.095, F.S.;
specifying beginning dates for benefits under
the program and Medicaid coverage for a program
participant; specifying that the payee of
temporary cash assistance may be the caretaker
with whom a minor child resides; providing an
effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 414.095, Florida
Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (j) is added to subsection
(15) of that section, to read:

414.095 Determining eligibility for the WAGES
Program.--

(9) APPLICATIONS.--The date of application is the date
the department or authorized entity receives a signed and
dated request to participate in the WAGES Program. The request
shall be denied 30 days after the initial application if the
applicant fails to respond to scheduled appointments,
including appointments with the state agency responsible for
administering the child support enforcement program, and does
not contact the department or authorized entity regarding the
application.

(a) The beginning date of eligibility for temporary
cash assistance is the date on which the application is
approved or 30 days after the date of application, whichever
is earlier.

1 (b) The add date for a newborn child is the date of
2 the child's birth.

3 (c) The add date for all other individuals is the date
4 on which the client contacts the department to request that
5 the individual be included in the grant for temporary cash
6 assistance.

7 (d) Medicaid coverage for a recipient of temporary
8 cash assistance begins on the first day of the first month of
9 eligibility for temporary cash assistance.

10 (15) PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.--

11 (j) The payee of the temporary cash assistance payment
12 is the caretaker relative with whom a minor child resides and
13 who assumes primary responsibility for the child's daily
14 supervision, care, and control, except in cases where a
15 protective payee is established.

16 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
17 law.

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20 SENATE SUMMARY

21 Specifies the dates on which certain individuals become
22 eligible for temporary cash assistance or Medicaid
23 coverage under the WAGES Program. Provides that the
24 caretaker relative with whom a minor child resides may be
25 the payee of temporary cash assistance under the program.
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