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L1	Senators Casas and Klein moved the following amendment:
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L3	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
L 4	On page 15, between lines 30 and 31,
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L6	insert:
L7	Section 5. Subsections (4) and (7) of section 409.910,
L8	Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are amended to read:
L9	409.910 Responsibility for payments on behalf of
20	Medicaid-eligible persons when other parties are liable
21	(4) After the department has provided medical
22	assistance under the Medicaid program, it shall seek recovery
23	of reimbursement from third-party benefits to the limit of
24	legal liability and for the full amount of third-party
25	benefits, but not in excess of the amount of medical
26	assistance paid by Medicaid, as to:
27	(a) Claims for which the department has a waiver
28	pursuant to federal law; or
29	(b) Situations in which the department learns of the
30	existence of a liable third party or in which third-party
31	benefits are discovered or become available after medical
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assistance has been provided by Medicaid. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the authority of the state or any agency thereof to bring or maintain actions seeking recoveries in excess of the amount paid as Medicaid benefits under alternative theories of liability in conjunction with an action filed pursuant to this section.

- (7) The department shall recover the full amount of all medical assistance provided by Medicaid on behalf of the recipient to the full extent of third-party benefits.
- (a) Recovery of such benefits shall be collected
 directly from:
 - 1. Any third party;
- 2. The recipient or legal representative, if he or she has received third-party benefits;
- 3. The provider of a recipient's medical services if third-party benefits have been recovered by the provider; notwithstanding any provision of this section, to the contrary, however, no provider shall be required to refund or pay to the department any amount in excess of the actual third-party benefits received by the provider from a third-party payor for medical services provided to the recipient; or
- 4. Any person who has received the third-party benefits.
- (b) Upon receipt of any recovery or other collection pursuant to this section, the department shall distribute the amount collected as follows:
- 1. To itself, an amount equal to the state Medicaid expenditures for the recipient plus any incentive payment made in accordance with paragraph (14)(a).
 - 2. To the Federal Government, the federal share of the

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state Medicaid expenditures minus any incentive payment made in accordance with paragraph (14)(a) and federal law, and minus any other amount permitted by federal law to be deducted.

3. To the recipient, after deducting any known amounts owed to the department for any related medical assistance or to health care providers, any remaining amount. This amount shall be treated as income or resources in determining eligibility for Medicaid.

The provisions of this subsection do not apply to any proceeds received by the state, or any agency thereof, pursuant to a final order, judgment, or settlement agreement, in any matter in which the state asserts claims brought on its own behalf, and not as a subrogee of a recipient, or under other theories of liability. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to any proceeds received by the state, or an agency thereof, pursuant to a final order, judgment, or settlement agreement, in any matter in which the state asserted both claims as a subrogee and additional claims, except as to those sums specifically identified in the final order, judgment, or settlement agreement as reimbursements to the recipient as expenditures for the named recipient on the subrogation claim.

Section 6. The amendments to section 409.910, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, made by this act are intended to clarify existing law and are remedial in nature. As such, they are specifically made retroactive to October 1, 1990, and shall apply to all causes of action arising on or after October 1, 1990.

31 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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   And the title is amended as follows:
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           On page 1, line 24, after the semicolon
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    insert:
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           amending s. 409.910, F.S.; clarifying that the
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           state may recover and retain damages in excess
           of Medicaid payments made under certain
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           circumstances; providing for retroactive
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           application;
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