

By Senator Dawson

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to Medicaid; amending s.  
3           409.904, F.S.; amending criteria governing  
4           certain persons' eligibility to receive  
5           optional payments under Medicaid; providing an  
6           effective date.

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

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10           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 409.904, Florida  
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12           409.904 Optional payments for eligible persons.--The  
13 agency may make payments for medical assistance and related  
14 services on behalf of the following persons who are determined  
15 to be eligible subject to the income, assets, and categorical  
16 eligibility tests set forth in federal and state law. Payment  
17 on behalf of these Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the  
18 availability of moneys and any limitations established by the  
19 General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.

20           (1) A person who is age 65 or older or is determined  
21 to be disabled, whose income is at or below 200 ~~100~~ percent of  
22 federal poverty level, ~~and whose assets do not exceed~~  
23 ~~established limitations.~~ In determining eligibility, an assets  
24 test is not required.

25           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

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28                                   SENATE SUMMARY

29           With respect to certain persons who are age 65 or older  
30           or disabled, amends criteria for eligibility to receive  
31           optional payments under the Medicaid program.