By the Committee on Health Promotion and Representatives Lerner, Gannon, Detert, Ritter, Henriquez, Greenstein, Heyman, Rich, Weissman, Mahon, Frankel, Sobel, Seiler, Betancourt, Meadows, Ausley, Kosmas, Littlefield, Harrell, Ryan, (Additional Sponsors on Last Printed Page)

1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to breast and cervical cancer; 3 creating s. 381.93, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent; 4 authorizing specified breast and cervical 5 cancer services to be rendered by the 6 7 Department of Health; providing for funding 8 sources for such services; providing for limits 9 on service enrollment based on income; 10 providing for income verification; authorizing the department to provide related services 11 12 funded by other means; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; providing for Medicaid eligibility for 13 certain women in need of treatment for breast 14 and cervical cancer; specifying "qualified 15 entity" for such purpose; providing for 16 17 eligibility, presumptive eligibility, and duration of eligibility; providing an effective 18 19 date. 20 21 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 2.2 23 Section 1. Section 381.93, Florida Statutes, is 24 created to read: 25 381.93 Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early 26 Detection Program. -- This section may be cited as the "Mary 2.7 Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program 28 Act." 29 It is the intent of the Legislature to reduce the 30 rates of death due to breast and cervical cancer through early

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diagnosis and increased access to early screening, diagnosis, and treatment programs.

- The Department of Health, using available federal funds and state funds appropriated for that purpose, is authorized to establish the Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program to provide screening, diagnosis, evaluation, case management, followup services, and referral to the Agency for Health Care Administration for treatment.
- (3) The Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program shall be funded through grants for such screening and early detection purposes from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention under Title XV of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300k et seq.).
- (4) The department shall limit enrollment in the program to persons with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level. The department shall establish an eligibility process which includes an income verification process to ensure that persons served under the program meet income guidelines.
- (5) The department may provide other breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services; however, such services shall be funded through sources of funds other than those provided in this section.
- Section 2. Subsection (9) is added to section 409.904, Florida Statutes, to read:
- 409.904 Optional payments for eligible persons. -- The agency may make payments for medical assistance and related services on behalf of the following persons who are determined to be eliqible subject to the income, assets, and categorical 31 eligibility tests set forth in federal and state law. Payment

on behalf of these Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the availability of moneys and any limitations established by the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.

(9) A woman who has not attained 65 years of age and who has been screened for breast or cervical cancer by a qualified entity under the Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program of the Department of Health and needs treatment for breast or cervical cancer and is not otherwise covered under creditable coverage, as defined in s. 2701(c) of the Public Health Service Act. For purposes of this subsection, a "qualified entity" is a county health department or other entity which has contracted with the Department of Health to provide breast and cervical cancer screening services funded pursuant to s. 381.93. In determining the eligibility of such a woman, an assets test is not required. A presumptive eligibility period begins on the date on which all eligibility criteria appear to be met and ends on the date determination is made with respect to the eligibility of such woman for services under the state plan or, in the case of such a woman who does not file an application, by the last day of the month following the month during which the presumptive eligibility determination is made. A woman is eligible until she gains creditable coverage, until treatment is no longer necessary, or until attainment of 65 years of age.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

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