By Senator Posey

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A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to income-eligibility 3 requirements for state-funded programs; 4 providing legislative intent; requiring an 5 applicant for any state-funded program having 6 an income-eligibility requirement to provide 7 certain documentation to show proof of 8 household income; providing an effective date. 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 10 11 12 Section 1. Legislative intent. -- It is the intent of 13 the Legislature that benefits provided under state-funded programs be provided to qualifying households or their members 14 and not to nonqualifying households or their members. In order 15 to ensure that a household or its members are qualified, a 16 recipient of a state-funded program must accurately and fully 18 disclose all taxable and nontaxable income of all household members as required by the program. 19 20 Section 2. Proof of income for purposes of determining 21 eligibility for state-funded programs. -- In determining 22 eligibility for any state-funded program that requires proof 23 of income, an applicant shall provide, during the application process and when redetermining eligibility, written 2.4 documentation that includes, but need not be limited to, proof 2.5 of household income, which must include a copy of the most 26 27 recent federal income tax return for each member of the 2.8 household. If any member of the household is not required to file a federal income tax return, the applicant may submit 29 income information for that member by submitting wage and 30 earning statements or pay stubs, W-2 forms, or other

| 1 | appropriate documents reflecting the member's income for the |
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| 2 | previous 3 months, or as otherwise required by the |
| 3 | state-funded program. |
| 4 | Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a |
| 5 | law. |
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| 8 | SENATE SUMMARY |
| 9 10 | Requires an applicant for any state-funded program having an income-eligibility requirement to provide certain written documentation to show proof of household income. |
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