

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Access to Health Care Act; amending
 3 s. 766.1115, F.S.; revising a definition of low-income
 4 person to expand a poverty level family income criterion;
 5 providing an effective date.

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 7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subsection (3) of section
 10 766.1115, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11 766.1115 Health care providers; creation of agency
 12 relationship with governmental contractors.--

13 (3) DEFINITIONS.--As used in this section, the term:

14 (e) "Low-income" means:

15 1. A person who is Medicaid-eligible under Florida law;

16 2. A person who is without health insurance and whose
 17 family income does not exceed 200 ~~150~~ percent of the federal
 18 poverty level as defined annually by the federal Office of
 19 Management and Budget; or

20 3. Any client of the department who voluntarily chooses to
 21 participate in a program offered or approved by the department
 22 and meets the program eligibility guidelines of the department.

23 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.