

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Florida KidCare program; amending
 3 s. 409.814, F.S.; authorizing eligibility for coverage in
 4 the Florida KidCare program for additional categories of
 5 children; 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. Subsections (2) and (5) of section 409.814,
 10 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

11 409.814 Eligibility.--A child who has not reached 19 years
 12 of age whose family income is equal to or below 200 percent of
 13 the federal poverty level is eligible for the Florida KidCare
 14 program as provided in this section. For enrollment in the
 15 Children's Medical Services Network, a complete application
 16 includes the medical or behavioral health screening. If,
 17 subsequently, an individual is determined to be ineligible for
 18 coverage, he or she must immediately be disenrolled from the
 19 respective Florida KidCare program component.

20 (2) A child who is not eligible for Medicaid, but who is
 21 eligible for the Florida KidCare program, may obtain health
 22 benefits coverage under any of the other components listed in s.
 23 409.813 if such coverage is approved and available in the county
 24 in which the child resides. However, a child who is eligible for
 25 Medikids, including those eligible under subsection (5), may
 26 participate in the Florida Healthy Kids program only if the
 27 child has a sibling participating in the Florida Healthy Kids

28 | program and the child's county of residence permits such
29 | enrollment.

30 | (5) A child whose family income is above 200 percent of
31 | the federal poverty level or a child who is excluded under the
32 | provisions of subsection (4) may apply for coverage and shall be
33 | allowed to participate in the Florida KidCare program, excluding
34 | the Medicaid program, but is subject to the following
35 | provisions:

36 | (a) The family is not eligible for premium assistance
37 | payments and must pay the full cost of the premium, including
38 | any administrative costs.

39 | (b) The agency is authorized to place limits on enrollment
40 | in Medikids by these children in order to avoid adverse
41 | selection. The number of children participating in Medikids
42 | whose family income exceeds 200 percent of the federal poverty
43 | level must not exceed 10 percent of total enrollees in the
44 | Medikids program.

45 | (c) The board of directors of the Florida Healthy Kids
46 | Corporation is authorized to place limits on enrollment of these
47 | children in order to avoid adverse selection. In addition, the
48 | board is authorized to offer a reduced benefit package to these
49 | children in order to limit program costs for such families. The
50 | number of children participating in the Florida Healthy Kids
51 | program whose family income exceeds 200 percent of the federal
52 | poverty level must not exceed 10 percent of total enrollees in
53 | the Florida Healthy Kids program.

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54 | (d) Children described in this subsection are not counted
55 | in the annual enrollment ceiling for the Florida KidCare
56 | program.

57 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.