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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Justice) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. The Secretary of Health Care Administration, the Secretary of Children and Family Services, the Executive Director of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, and the Director of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation shall jointly convene a work group to plan for a Medicaid Buy-in Program for Persons with Disabilities. The work group shall consist of staff from each agency with appropriate expertise in



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12 the needs of the disabled and the provision of services thereto.  
13 The work group will prepare a report to the Legislature which  
14 shall be due by December 1, 2009. The report will include an  
15 assessment of the feasibility of offering a Medicaid Buy-in  
16 Program for persons with disabilities and include at a minimum  
17 the following information:

18 (a) Data on the number and characteristics of disabled  
19 persons to whom the Buy-in Program could be offered;

20 (b) Description of the services to be offered under the  
21 Program;

22 (c) Proposed premiums to be charged and the basis therefor;

23 (d) Costs to the state Medicaid program of extending  
24 coverage through a Medicaid Buy-in Program, including costs of  
25 administration of the Buy-in Program;

26 (e) A recommendation on how and by which entity the Buy-in  
27 Program should be administered;

28 (f) Legislation for consideration during the 2010 Regular  
29 Session of the Legislature to implement the recommendations of  
30 the report.

31 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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33 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

34 And the title is amended as follows:

35 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
36 and insert:

37 A bill to be entitled  
38 An act relating to the Medicaid Buy-in Program for  
39 Persons with Disabilities; requiring the Secretary of  
40 Health Care Administration, the Secretary of Children



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41 and Family Services, the Executive Director of the  
42 Agency for Persons with Disabilities, and the Director  
43 of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to  
44 convene a work group to examine the feasibility of  
45 offering a Medicaid Buy-in Program for persons with  
46 disabilities; requiring a report to the Legislature;  
47 providing an effective date.