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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Medicaid managed care; amending s. 409.972, F.S.; providing an exemption from mandatory enrollment in managed care for children residing in certain licensed residential programs approved by the Department of Children and Families; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Paragraph (f) is added to subsection (2) of section 409.972, Florida Statutes, to read:
 - 409.972 Mandatory and voluntary enrollment.-
- (2) The following Medicaid-eligible persons are exempt from mandatory managed care enrollment required by s. 409.965, and may voluntarily choose to participate in the managed medical assistance program:
- (f) Children residing in a Department of Children and Families licensed residential program approved as a Medicaid behavioral health overlay services provider.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.