

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to resource information for
 3 individuals with disabilities; amending s. 393.065,
 4 F.S.; requiring the Agency for Persons with
 5 Disabilities to provide specified written information
 6 to individuals applying for certain waiver services;
 7 requiring the agency to provide a certain disclosure
 8 statement along with such information; providing an
 9 effective date.

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

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 13 Section 1. Subsection (10) of section 393.065, Florida
 14 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (11), and a new subsection
 15 (10) is added to that section to read:

16 393.065 Application and eligibility determination.—

17 (10) (a) The agency shall provide the following information
 18 to all applicants or their parents, legal guardians, or family
 19 members:

20 1. A brief overview of the vocational rehabilitation
 21 services offered through the Division of Vocational
 22 Rehabilitation of the Department of Education, including a
 23 hyperlink or website address that provides access to the
 24 application for such services.

25 2. A brief overview of the Florida ABLÉ program
26 established under s. 1009.986, including a hyperlink or website
27 address that provides access to the application for establishing
28 an ABLÉ account as defined in s. 1009.986(2).

29 3. A brief overview of the supplemental security income
30 benefits and social security disability income benefits
31 available under Title XVI of the Social Security Act, as
32 amended, including a hyperlink or website address that provides
33 access to the application for such benefits.

34 4. A statement indicating that the applicant's local
35 public school district may provide specialized instructional
36 services, including transition programs, for students with
37 special education needs.

38 5. A brief overview of programs and services funded
39 through the Center for Students with Unique Abilities, including
40 contact information for each state-approved Florida
41 Postsecondary Comprehensive Transition Program.

42 6. A brief overview of decisionmaking options for
43 individuals with disabilities, guardianship under chapter 744,
44 and alternatives to guardianship as defined in s. 744.334(1),
45 which may include contact information for organizations that the
46 agency believes would be helpful in assisting with such
47 decisions.

48 7. A brief overview of the referral tools made available
49 through the agency, including a hyperlink or website address
50 that provides access to such tools.

51 8. A statement indicating that some waiver providers may
52 serve private-pay individuals.

53 (b) The agency must provide the information required in
54 paragraph (a) in writing to an applicant or the applicant's
55 parent, legal guardian, or family member along with a written
56 disclosure statement in substantially the following form:

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58 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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60 Each program and service has its own eligibility requirements.
61 By providing the information specified in s. 393.065(10)(a), the
62 agency does not guarantee an applicant's eligibility for or
63 enrollment in any program or service.

64 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.