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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

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

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

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

393.065 Application and eligibility determination.—

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



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11 members:

12 1. A brief overview of the vocational rehabilitation
13 services offered through the Division of Vocational
14 Rehabilitation of the Florida Department of Education, including
15 a hyperlink or website address that provides access to the
16 application for such services;

17 2. A brief overview of the Florida ABLE program established
18 under s. 1009.986, including a hyperlink or website address that
19 provides access to the application for establishing an ABLE
20 account as defined in s. 1009.986(2);

21 3. A brief overview of the supplemental security income
22 benefits and social security disability income benefits
23 available under Title XVI of the Social Security Act, as
24 amended, including a hyperlink or website address that provides
25 access to the application for such benefits;

26 4. A statement indicating that the applicant's local public
27 school district may provide specialized instructional services,
28 including transition programs, for students with special
29 education needs;

30 5. A brief overview of programs and services funded through
31 the Center for Students with Unique Abilities, including contact
32 information for each state approved Florida Postsecondary
33 Comprehensive Transition Program;

34 6. A brief overview of decision-making options for
35 individuals with disabilities, guardianship under ch. 744, and
36 alternatives to guardianship as defined in s. 744.334(1), which
37 may include contact information for organizations that the
38 agency believes helpful in assisting with such decisions;

39 7. A brief overview of the referral tools made available



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40 through the agency, including a hyperlink or website address
41 that provides access to such tools; and

42 8. A statement indicating that some waiver providers may
43 serve private pay individuals.

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

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49 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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

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

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58 And the title is amended as follows:

59 Delete everything before the enacting clause
60 and insert:

61 A bill to be entitled
62 An act relating to resource information for
63 individuals with disabilities; amending s. 393.065,
64 F.S.; requiring the Agency for Persons with
65 Disabilities to provide specified written information
66 to persons applying for certain waiver services;
67 requiring the agency to provide a certain disclosure
68 statement along with such information; providing an



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effective date.