

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Brown offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1645 and 1646, insert:

Section 11. Subsection (10) of section 409.1451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.1451 The Road-to-Independence Program.—

(10) MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR YOUNG ADULTS FORMERLY IN CARE.—

(a) Notwithstanding paragraph (2)(a), the department or community-based care lead agency shall develop a program to facilitate the enrollment of ~~document that eligible~~ young adults eligible for ~~are enrolled in~~ Medicaid under s. 409.903(4). The

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14 department may coordinate with the community-based care lead
15 agency in implementing such program.

16 (b) The program must provide outreach services, including,
17 but not limited to, all of the following:

18 1. Notifying eligible or prospectively eligible young
19 adults, caregivers, group homes, and residential programs about
20 the eligibility requirements for the program and options for
21 enrollment in the program.

22 2. Providing technical assistance to eligible or
23 prospectively eligible young adults in enrolling in the program.

24 3. Publicizing options for Medicaid enrollment for young
25 adults who have lived in foster care.

26 Section 12. Subsection (4) of section 409.903, Florida
27 Statutes, is amended to read:

28 409.903 Mandatory payments for eligible persons.—The
29 agency shall make payments for medical assistance and related
30 services on behalf of the following persons who the department,
31 or the Social Security Administration by contract with the
32 Department of Children and Families, determines to be eligible,
33 subject to the income, assets, and categorical eligibility tests
34 set forth in federal and state law. Payment on behalf of these
35 Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the availability of
36 moneys and any limitations established by the General
37 Appropriations Act or chapter 216.

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38 (4) A child who is eligible under Title IV-E of the Social
39 Security Act for subsidized board payments, foster care, or
40 adoption subsidies, and a child for whom the state has assumed
41 temporary or permanent responsibility and who does not qualify
42 for Title IV-E assistance but is in foster care, shelter or
43 emergency shelter care, or subsidized adoption. This category
44 includes:

45 (a) A young adult who is eligible to receive services
46 under s. 409.1451, until the young adult reaches 21 years of
47 age, without regard to any income, resource, or categorical
48 eligibility test that is otherwise required.

49 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a young adult ~~A person~~
50 who as a child was eligible under Title IV-E of the Social
51 Security Act for foster care or the state-provided foster care
52 and who was living in out-of-home care on his or her 18th
53 birthday, until the young adult reaches 26 years of age, without
54 regard to any income, resource, or categorical eligibility test
55 that is otherwise required ~~who is a participant in the Road to~~
56 ~~Independence Program.~~

57 (c) A child who is eligible for the Guardianship
58 Assistance Program as provided in s. 39.6225.

59 Section 13. Subsection (5) of section 409.977, Florida
60 Statutes, is amended to read:

61 409.977 Enrollment.—

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62 (5) Specialty plans serving children in the care and
63 custody of the department may serve such children as long as
64 they remain in care, including those children remaining in
65 extended foster care under ~~pursuant to~~ s. 39.6251, children who
66 ~~or~~ are in subsidized adoption and continue to be eligible for
67 Medicaid under ~~pursuant to~~ s. 409.903, or children who are
68 receiving guardianship assistance payments and continue to be
69 eligible for Medicaid under s. 409.903.

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72 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

73 Remove line 195 and insert:
74 conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 409.1451,
75 F.S.; requiring the department to develop a program to
76 facilitate the enrollment of young adults in the
77 Medicaid program; authorizing the department to
78 coordinate with community-based care lead agencies to
79 implement such program; providing requirements for the
80 program; amending s. 409.903, F.S.; revising
81 eligibility requirements for certain payments;
82 amending s. 409.977, F.S.; authorizing specialty plans
83 for certain children; providing an effective

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