

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to Medicaid expansion through a
 3 Medicaid buy-in program; creating s. 409.9141, F.S.;
 4 requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to
 5 establish and implement a Medicaid buy-in program for
 6 specified individuals with disabilities under certain
 7 circumstances; providing requirements for the program;
 8 requiring the agency to seek by a specified date
 9 federal waiver approval or submit any state plan
 10 amendments necessary to implement the program;
 11 requiring the agency to implement the program upon
 12 receiving federal approval; providing an effective
 13 date.

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

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 17 Section 1. Section 409.9141, Florida Statutes, is created
 18 to read:

19 409.9141 Medicaid buy-in program for individuals with
 20 disabilities.-

21 (1)(a) The agency shall establish and, subject to federal
 22 approval through a waiver or state plan amendment, implement a
 23 Medicaid buy-in program, authorized under the Ticket to Work and
 24 Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, Pub. L. No. 106-170,
 25 and the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L. No. 105-33, for

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26 | individuals with disabilities who are between 18 and 64 years of
27 | age and whose incomes exceed the maximum income eligibility
28 | level for initial enrollment to obtain coverage for medical
29 | assistance under the Medicaid program.

30 | (b) The Medicaid buy-in program must provide full Medicaid
31 | benefits to eligible individuals and must limit any premiums or
32 | cost sharing to a certain percentage of an individual's income,
33 | as determined by the agency.

34 | (2) By October 1, 2023, the agency shall seek federal
35 | waiver approval or submit any state plan amendments necessary to
36 | implement the Medicaid buy-in program under this section. The
37 | agency shall implement the program upon receiving federal
38 | approval.

39 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.