

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to transparency for autism-related
 3 services; amending s. 393.063, F.S.; providing a
 4 definition for the term "manifests" or "onset";
 5 amending s. 393.065, F.S.; requiring the Agency for
 6 Persons with Disabilities to provide specified
 7 information when notifying an applicant of his or her
 8 eligibility determination; providing an effective
 9 date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsections (26) through (46) of section
 14 393.063, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (27)
 15 through (47), respectively, and a new subsection (26) is added
 16 to that section, to read:

17 393.063 Definitions.—For the purposes of this chapter, the
 18 term:

19 (26) "Manifests" or "onset" means the display or
 20 disclosure of characteristic signs or symptoms of an illness.

21 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 393.065, Florida
 22 Statutes, is amended to read:

23 393.065 Application and eligibility determination.—

24 (3) The agency or its designee shall notify each
 25 applicant, in writing, of its individualized eligibility

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26 | determination, including any specific criteria the applicant has
27 | not met from the agency's eligibility criteria described in rule
28 | 65G-4.0215, Florida Administrative Code. Any applicant or client
29 | determined by the agency to be ineligible for services has the
30 | right to appeal this determination pursuant to ss. 120.569 and
31 | 120.57.

32 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.