

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

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, 2024, 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.