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A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to federal approval for community health workers as Medicaid providers; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to seek federal approval by a specified date to enroll and recognize community health workers as Medicaid providers and to use certain funds and means to secure financing for the workers' services; providing guidelines for the federal approval; providing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) By September 30, 2025, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall seek federal approval, through a Medicaid waiver or a state plan amendment, to formally enroll and recognize community health workers as Medicaid providers and to use Medicaid matching funds and other means to secure financing for community health worker services. The appropriate federal approval must allow for community health worker services on a statewide basis and must not be a limited geography waiver. The federal approval must also maximize the use of community health workers by providing financing that includes fee-for-service reimbursement, value-based payment, or a combination of fee-for-service reimbursement and value-based payment for all

26 | services commensurate to the workers' scope of training and
27 | abilities as provided by evidence-based research and programs.

28 | (2) By September 30, 2026, the Agency for Health Care
29 | Administration shall submit a report to the Legislature on the
30 | progress of meeting the requirements in subsection (1).

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