

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the definition of developmental  
 3           disability; providing a short title; amending s.  
 4           393.063, F.S.; revising the definition of the term  
 5           "developmental disability"; providing an effective  
 6           date.

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

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 10       Section 1. This act may be cited as "Diana's Law."

11       Section 2. Subsection (12) of section 393.063, Florida  
 12       Statutes, is amended to read:

13       393.063 Definitions.—For the purposes of this chapter, the  
 14       term:

15       (12) "Developmental disability" means a severe, chronic  
 16       disability of an individual that:

17       (a) Is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or  
 18       combination of mental and physical impairments.

19       (b) Is manifested before the individual attains 22 years  
 20       of age.

21       (c) Is likely to continue indefinitely.

22       (d) Results in substantial functional limitations in three  
 23       or more of the following areas of major life activity:

24       1. Self-care.

25       2. Receptive and expressive language.

- 26 |       3. Learning.
- 27 |       4. Mobility.
- 28 |       5. Self-direction.
- 29 |       6. Capacity for independent living.
- 30 |       7. Economic self-sufficiency.

31 |       (e) Reflects the individual's need for a combination and  
 32 | sequence of special, interdisciplinary or generic services,  
 33 | individualized supports, or other forms of assistance that are  
 34 | of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned  
 35 | and coordinated.

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37 | An individual from birth to age 9 years who has a substantial  
 38 | developmental delay or specific congenital or acquired condition  
 39 | may be considered to have a developmental disability without  
 40 | meeting three or more of the criteria described in paragraphs  
 41 | (a)-(e), if the individual, without services and supports, has a  
 42 | high probability of meeting such criteria later in life ~~disorder~~  
 43 | ~~or syndrome that is attributable to intellectual disability,~~  
 44 | ~~cerebral palsy, autism, spina bifida, Down syndrome, Phelan-~~  
 45 | ~~McDermid syndrome, or Prader-Willi syndrome; that manifests~~  
 46 | ~~before the age of 18; and that constitutes a substantial~~  
 47 | ~~handicap that can reasonably be expected to continue~~  
 48 | ~~indefinitely.~~

49 |       Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.