1   A bill to be entitled

2   An act relating to a Medicaid buy-in program; creating

3   s. 409.9141, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health

4   Care Administration to establish and implement a

5   Medicaid buy-in program for certain individuals with

6   disabilities; providing requirements for the program;

7   requiring the agency to seek federal waiver approval

8   or submit any state plan amendments necessary to

9   implement the program by a specified date; requiring

10   the agency to implement the program upon receiving

11   federal approval; providing an effective date.

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

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15   Section 1. Section 409.9141, Florida Statutes, is created

16   to read:

17   409.9141 Medicaid buy-in program for individuals with

18   disabilities.—

19   (1)(a) The agency shall establish and, subject to federal

20   approval through a waiver or state plan amendment, implement a

21   Medicaid buy-in program, authorized under the federal Ticket to

22   Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, Pub. L. No.

23   106-170, and the federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L.

24   No. 105-33, for individuals with disabilities who are between 16

25   and 64 years of age and whose incomes exceed the maximum income

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26 eligibility level for initial enrollment to obtain coverage for
27 medical assistance under the Medicaid program.
28   (b) The Medicaid buy-in program must provide full Medicaid
29 benefits to eligible individuals and must limit any premiums or
30 cost sharing to a certain percentage of an individual's income,
31 as determined by the agency.
32   (2) By October 1, 2022, the agency shall seek federal
33 waiver approval or submit any state plan amendments necessary to
34 implement the Medicaid buy-in program under this section. The
35 agency shall implement the program upon receiving federal
36 approval.
37   Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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