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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program;
3 amending s. 409.814, F.S.; providing presumptive
4 eligibility for the Florida Kidcare program for
5 children younger than a specified age; providing an
6 effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Subsection (8) of section 409.814, Florida
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12 409.814 Eligibility.—A child who has not reached 19 years
13 of age whose family income is equal to or below 200 percent of
14 the federal poverty level is eligible for the Florida Kidcare
15 program as provided in this section. If an enrolled individual
16 is determined to be ineligible for coverage, he or she must be
17 immediately disenrolled from the respective Florida Kidcare
18 program component.

19 (8) A child younger than 19 years of age who applies for
20 eligibility in any component of the Florida Kidcare program,
21 including the Medicaid program, through a qualified provider
22 must be offered the opportunity, subject to federal rules and
23 regulations, to be made presumptively eligible for the Florida
24 Kidcare program. When determining or reviewing a child's
25 eligibility under the Florida Kidcare program, the applicant
26 shall be provided with reasonable notice of changes in
27 eligibility which may affect enrollment in one or more of the
28 program components. If a transition from one program component

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29 | to another is authorized, there shall be cooperation between the
30 | program components and the affected family which promotes
31 | continuity of health care coverage. Any authorized transfers
32 | must be managed within the program's overall appropriated or
33 | authorized levels of funding. Each component of the program
34 | shall establish a reserve to ensure that transfers between
35 | components will be accomplished within current year
36 | appropriations. These reserves shall be reviewed by each
37 | convening of the Social Services Estimating Conference to
38 | determine the adequacy of such reserves to meet actual
39 | experience.

40 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.