A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 409.811, F.S.; defining the term "lawfully residing child"; deleting the definition of the term "qualified alien"; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; revising eligibility for the program to conform to changes made by the act; clarifying that undocumented immigrants are excluded from eligibility; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; providing eligibility for optional payments for medical assistance and related services for certain lawfully residing children; clarifying that undocumented immigrants are excluded from eligibility for optional Medicaid payments or related services; amending s. 624.91, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Present subsections (17) through (22) of section 409.811, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (18) through (23), respectively, a new subsection (17) is added to that section, and present subsections (23) and (24) of that section are amended, to read:

409.811 Definitions relating to Florida Kidcare Act.—As used in ss. 409.810-409.821, the term:

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(17) "Lawfully residing child" means a child who is lawfully present in the United States, meets Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) residency requirements, and may be eligible for medical assistance with federal financial participation as provided under s. 214 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Pub. L. No. 111-3, and related federal regulations.

- (23) "Qualified alien" means an alien as defined in s. 431 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity

 Reconciliation Act of 1996, as amended, Pub. L. No. 104-193.
- (24) "Resident" means a United States citizen, or <u>lawfully</u> residing child qualified alien, who is domiciled in this state.
- Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section 409.814, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 409.814 Eligibility.—A child who has not reached 19 years of age whose family income is equal to or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level is eligible for the Florida Kidcare program as provided in this section. If an enrolled individual is determined to be ineligible for coverage, he or she must be immediately disenrolled from the respective Florida Kidcare program component.
- (4) The following children are not eligible to receive Title XXI-funded premium assistance for health benefits coverage under the Florida Kidcare program, except under Medicaid if the child would have been eligible for Medicaid under s. 409.903 or s. 409.904 as of June 1, 1997:

(c) A child who is an alien, but who does not meet the definition of a lawfully residing child qualified alien, in the United States. This paragraph does not extend eligibility for the Florida Kidcare program to an undocumented immigrant.

Section 3. Subsections (8) and (9) of section 409.904, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (9) and (10), respectively, and a new subsection (8) is added to that section to read:

409.904 Optional payments for eligible persons.—The agency may make payments for medical assistance and related services on behalf of the following persons who are determined to be eligible subject to the income, assets, and categorical eligibility tests set forth in federal and state law. Payment on behalf of these Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the availability of moneys and any limitations established by the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.

(8) A child who has not attained the age of 19 who, notwithstanding s. 414.095(3), would be eligible for Medicaid under s. 409.903, except that the child is a lawfully residing child as defined in s. 409.811. This subsection does not extend eligibility for optional Medicaid payments or related services to an undocumented immigrant.

Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 624.91, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

624.91 The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation Act.-

(3) ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE-FUNDED ASSISTANCE.—Only the

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following individuals are eligible for state-funded assistance in paying Florida Healthy Kids premiums:

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- (b) Notwithstanding s. 409.814, <u>a</u> legal <u>alien</u> <u>aliens</u> who <u>is are</u> enrolled in the Florida Healthy Kids program as of January 31, 2004, who <u>does</u> do not qualify for Title XXI federal funds because <u>he or she is they are not a lawfully residing</u> child qualified aliens as defined in s. 409.811.
 - Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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