

Prior law required dependent coverage for a developmentally disabled person, regardless of age, in any life, health, or other program sponsored by the Office of Group Benefits under the following conditions:

1. The person became developmentally disabled prior to attaining age 21.
2. The disabled person was covered under a parent's policy of insurance but coverage has terminated due to the parent's loss of employment.
3. The disabled person's other parent is a full-time employee of a school board and participates in a life, health, or other program sponsored by the Office of Group Benefits.

New law retains prior law requirements in Items 1 and 2 above but includes in Item 3 dependent coverage if the other parent is employed in the classified or unclassified state civil service.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 42:808(E))