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LEGISLATIVE BILL 762

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to define terms; to require
2 coverage for treatment of certain pediatric autoimmune disorders; to
3 require a report; and to declare an emergency.
4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** (1) Pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome
2 means a class of acute-onset obsessive-compulsive or tic disorders or
3 other behavioral changes presenting in a child or adolescent that are not
4 otherwise explained by another known neurologic or medical disorder; and

5 (2) Pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with a
6 streptococcal infection means a condition in which a streptococcal
7 infection in a child or adolescent causes the abrupt onset of clinically
8 significant obsessions, compulsions, tics, or other neuropsychiatric
9 symptoms or behavioral changes, or a relapsing and remitting course of
10 symptom severity.

11 **Sec. 2.** Notwithstanding section 44-3,131, (a) any individual or
12 group sickness and accident insurance policy or subscriber contract
13 delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state and any
14 hospital, medical, or surgical expense-incurred policy, except for
15 policies that provide coverage for a specified disease or other limited-
16 benefit coverage, and (b) any self-funded employee benefit plan to the
17 extent not preempted by federal law shall provide coverage for treatment
18 of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with a
19 streptococcal infection and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric
20 syndrome. Treatments required by this section shall be recommended by the
21 insured's licensed health care provider and shall include, but not be
22 limited to, antibiotics, medication and behavioral therapies to manage
23 neuropsychiatric symptoms, plasma exchange, and immunoglobulin.

24 **Sec. 3.** (1) An insurance policy described in section 2 of this act
25 shall report the following to the Department of Insurance no later than
26 October 1, 2027, and each October 1 thereafter:

27 (a) The number of times the insurance policy has denied coverage for
28 treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated
29 with a streptococcal infection or pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric
30 syndrome; and

31 (b) For each denial of coverage, the specific treatment for which

1 coverage was denied.

2 (2) The department shall compile the information required by this
3 section into a single report and shall post the report on the
4 department's website on or before December 1, 2028, and each December 1
5 thereafter. The report shall identify each reporting insurance policy and
6 shall specify, for each policy, the number of coverage denials for each
7 treatment.

8 **Sec. 4.** Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
9 passed and approved according to law.