

HB 569 -- Health Insurance

Sponsor: Molendorp

This bill changes the laws regarding the processing of health insurance claims and insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorder.

CLAIMS PROCESSING

A health insurance carrier will be allowed 45 processing days, instead of the current 45 calendar days, to pay a claim.

COVERAGE FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER

Health insurance carriers offering health benefit plans which are delivered, issued, continued, or renewed on or after August 28, 2010, must offer group coverage for autism spectrum disorder (ASD) for necessary medical services for enrollees diagnosed with the disorder. Any individual providing the medical services must be a licensed health care practitioner. Coverage for ASD can be subject to plan restrictions, exclusions, and limitations and will not include services, supplies, or equipment that comes from a publicly funded program, is provided by a family member or unlicensed provider, is considered educational or instructional, or is not directly provided to the individual with ASD.

Individually sold health benefit plans and certain other supplemental insurance policies are not subject to the ASD coverage requirements.