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State of Minnesota  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

**H. F. No. 836**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Reform

03/12/2015 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Regulatory Reform

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to human services; modifying coverage for autism spectrum disorders;  
1.3 amending Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 12, sections 2; 106.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 12, section 2, the effective date, is amended  
1.6 to read:

1.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective ~~January 1, 2016~~ July 1, 2015, or the  
1.8 date a collective bargaining agreement or compensation plan that includes changes to this  
1.9 section is approved under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.855, whichever is earlier.

1.10 Sec. 2. Laws 2013, chapter 108, article 12, section 106, is amended to read:

1.11 Sec. 106. **ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS.**

1.12 By ~~December 31, 2014~~ July 1, 2015, the Department of Commerce shall request that  
1.13 the United States Department of Human Services include autism services in Minnesota's  
1.14 Essential Health Benefits when the next benefit set is selected in 2016. These services  
1.15 should include but not be limited to the services listed in Minnesota Statutes, section  
1.16 62A.3094, subdivision 2, paragraph (a).