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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/17/2016	5111	Introduction and first reading Referred to Health, Human Services and Housing
03/29/2016	5292a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Commerce
03/31/2016	5417	Comm report: To pass and re-referred to Finance
	5430	Author added Carlson
04/06/2016	5707	Authors added Clausen; Latz

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A bill for an act

relating to health; adding autism spectrum disorder treatment to essential benefits

definition; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 62Q.81, subdivision 4.

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 62Q.81, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Essential health benefits; definition.** For purposes of this section,

"essential health benefits" has the meaning given under section 1302(b) of the Affordable

Care Act and includes:

(1) ambulatory patient services;

(2) emergency services;

(3) hospitalization;

(4) laboratory services;

(5) maternity and newborn care;

(6) mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health

treatment;

(7) pediatric services, including oral and vision care;

(8) prescription drugs;

(9) preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management;

(10) rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices, including services for

autism spectrum disorder treatment specified pursuant to section 62A.3094; and

(11) additional essential health benefits included in the EHB-benchmark plan, as

defined under the Affordable Care Act.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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2.1           Section 1 is effective for health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2017.  
2.2           If the federal government issues a formal determination that the services are a new state  
2.3           mandate and requires the state to cover the cost for autism spectrum disorder treatment  
2.4           services specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 62A.3094, the inclusion of these  
2.5           services under Minnesota Statutes, section 62Q.81, subdivision 4, clause (10), is repealed  
2.6           effective at the end of the health plan coverage year.