



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Senate Bill 178

Senate Amendment 3

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2007 Senate Bill 178 generally requires that every health insurance policy and self-insured government or school district health plan provide coverage for an insured for the treatment of an autism spectrum disorder if the treatment is provided by: (1) a psychiatrist; (2) a psychologist; (3) a social worker who is certified or licensed to practice psychotherapy; (4) a paraprofessional working under the supervision of a social worker who is certified or licensed to practice psychotherapy, a psychologist, or a psychiatrist; or (5) a professional working under the supervision of an outpatient mental health clinic.

Senate Amendment 3 adds a speech-language pathologist to the above list of providers of treatment for an autism spectrum disorder.

Legislative History

Senate Amendment 3 was offered by Senators Robson and Decker. On February 26, 2008, the Senate adopted the amendment on a voice vote and passed the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 25; Noes, 8.

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