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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to coverage for mental health services provided
2 to state employees.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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HF 2278

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 509A.6A MENTAL HEALTH COVERAGE
2 FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

3 1. A state health or medical group insurance plan for
4 state employees shall provide coverage benefits for services
5 for clinical disorders related to mental health which shall be
6 on terms and conditions which are no more restrictive than the
7 terms and conditions for coverage benefits provided for other
8 medical conditions under such plan.

9 2. For purposes of this section:

10 a. "State health or medical group insurance plan" means as
11 defined in section 509A.13A.

12 b. "State employee" means a person who is a paid employee
13 of the state of Iowa, including a paid employee of the board
14 of regents.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill creates new Code section 509A.6A and provides
17 that a state health or medical group insurance plan for state
18 employees must provide coverage benefits for services for
19 clinical disorders related to mental health which are to be on
20 terms and conditions which are no more restrictive than the
21 terms and conditions associated with coverage benefits
22 provided for other conditions under such plan.

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