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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to third-party payment of health care coverage
2 costs for substance abuse treatment services.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 514C.14 SUBSTANCE ABUSE
2 TREATMENT COVERAGE -- COMMISSIONER DETERMINATION.

3 Notwithstanding section 514C.6, upon the determination of
4 the commissioner pursuant to section 513B.37, subsection 1,
5 paragraph "a", to include substance abuse treatment coverage
6 in basic benefit coverage policies or subscription contracts
7 under chapter 513B, the commissioner shall adopt by rule, with
8 all due diligence, requirements for the provision of coverage
9 for benefits for treatment services related to substance abuse
10 which shall be on the same terms as provided for other health
11 conditions. Rules adopted by the commissioner pursuant to
12 this section shall apply to all of the following:

- 13 1. Individual or group accident and sickness insurance
14 providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis.
- 15 2. An individual or group hospital or medical service
16 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.
- 17 3. An individual or group health maintenance organization
18 contract regulated under chapter 514B.
- 19 4. An individual or group Medicare supplemental policy,
20 unless coverage pursuant to such policy is preempted by
21 federal law.
- 22 5. Any other entity engaged in the business of insurance,
23 risk transfer, or risk retention, which is subject to the
24 jurisdiction of the commissioner.
- 25 6. An organized delivery system licensed by the director
26 of public health.

27 EXPLANATION

28 This bill directs the commissioner to adopt by rule,
29 requirements for the provision of coverage for benefits for
30 treatment services related to substance abuse which shall be
31 on the same terms as provided for other health conditions upon
32 a finding by the commissioner pursuant to Code section 513B.37
33 to include substance abuse treatment coverage in small group
34 basic benefit coverage policies or subscription contracts
35 subject to Code chapter 513B.