

**Senate File 565 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 565  
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN  
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1231)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to prior authorization for medication-assisted  
2 treatment under the Medicaid program.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT — MEDICAID —  
2 PRIOR AUTHORIZATION.

3 1. The department of human services shall adopt rules  
4 pursuant to chapter 17A to require that under both Medicaid  
5 fee-for-service and managed care administration, at least one  
6 form of medication-assisted treatment approved by the United  
7 States food and drug administration for treatment of substance  
8 use disorder, in each of the following categories, is available  
9 to Medicaid members without prior authorization:

- 10 a. Methadone.
- 11 b. Buprenorphine.
- 12 c. Naloxone.
- 13 d. Buprenorphine and naloxone combination.
- 14 e. Naltrexone.

15 2. For the purpose of this section, "medication-assisted  
16 treatment" means the medically monitored use of certain  
17 substance use disorder medications in combination with  
18 treatment services.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill requires the department of human services  
23 to adopt administrative rules to require that under both  
24 Medicaid fee-for-service and managed care administration,  
25 at least one form of medication-assisted treatment in  
26 specified categories shall be available to Medicaid members  
27 without prior authorization. For the purpose of the bill,  
28 "medication-assisted treatment" means the medically monitored  
29 use of certain substance use disorder medications in  
30 combination with treatment services.