

# HOUSE BILL No. 5529

December 4, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Ball, Johnson, Byrnes, Vagnozzi, Wojno, Kathleen Law, Hopgood, Polidori, Corriveau and Dean and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled  
"The insurance code of 1956,"  
(MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3406s.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           SEC. 3406S. (1) AN EXPENSE-INCURRED HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR  
2 SURGICAL POLICY OR CERTIFICATE DELIVERED, ISSUED FOR DELIVERY, OR  
3 RENEWED IN THIS STATE AND A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION  
4 CONTRACT SHALL PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF AUTISM  
5 SPECTRUM DISORDER, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COVERAGE FOR  
6 THERAPEUTIC EVALUATIONS AND INTERVENTIONS, SPEECH THERAPY,  
7 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PHYSICAL THERAPY, INTENSIVE EARLY  
8 INTERVENTION, APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS, AND LOVAAS BEHAVIORAL  
9 THERAPY.

1           (2) COVERAGE FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER UNDER THIS SECTION  
2 IS SUBJECT TO THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS THAT THE INSURER OR  
3 HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION APPLIES TO THE TREATMENT OF OTHER  
4 DISORDERS. HOWEVER, AN INSURER OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION  
5 MAY CONFIRM A DIAGNOSIS OR REVIEW THE APPROPRIATENESS OF A SPECIFIC  
6 TREATMENT PLAN IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION  
7 IS LIMITED TO DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT SERVICES.

8           (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER" MEANS  
9 A NEUROBIOLOGICAL CONDITION THAT INCLUDES AUTISM, ASPERGER  
10 SYNDROME, AND RETT'S SYNDROME.