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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Engrossed House Bill No. 408  
by Representative Dickerson

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 5, after "definitions;" insert "to provide for applicability;"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, between line 6 and line 7, insert the following:

5 "Section 1. The legislature hereby finds and affirms the following:

6 (1) Symptoms of PANS, PANDAS, and other types of AE cause disruption  
7 to a child's neurological functioning and may appear in episodes of anxiety,  
8 incontinence, seizures, confusion, depression, tics, personality changes, declines in  
9 school performance, and changes in sensory sensitivities. The symptoms may worsen  
10 or extend with each episode.

11 (2) Younger children are often misdiagnosed as having autism and many  
12 affected children meet criteria for state disability services because their symptoms  
13 are not solely attributable to mental illness.

14 (3) Studies have found several therapies and treatments to be effective in  
15 resolving symptoms, including but not limited to antibiotic therapy, intravenous  
16 immunoglobulin treatments, antidepressant medications, cognitive behavioral  
17 therapies, and plasma exchange.

18 (4) Early treatment is important to prevent permanent brain injury and  
19 nervous system damage, cognitive decline, and mental illness that may persist into  
20 adulthood and death because the conditions are potentially fatal."

21 AMENDMENT NO. 3

22 On page 1, line 7, change "Section 1." to "Section 2."

23 AMENDMENT NO. 4

24 On page 1, delete lines 11 through 19 in their entirety

25 AMENDMENT NO. 5

26 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 7 in their entirety

27 AMENDMENT NO. 6

28 On page 2, line 8, change "B." to "A."

29 AMENDMENT NO. 7

30 On page 2, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

31 "B.(1) In making determinations of coverage for PANDAS, PANS, and other  
32 types of AE, insurers may consider but not require strict adherence to other treatment  
33 options or recommendations developed by a medical professional consortium  
34 convened for the purposes of researching, identifying, and publishing best practice  
35 standards for diagnosis and treatment of these disorders, such as the PANDAS  
36 Physician Network. The treatment should be based on evidence of positive patient  
37 outcomes.

38 (2) A health coverage plan may limit intravenous immunoglobulin treatments  
39 to no more than three monthly courses of treatment, unless additional treatment is  
40 deemed medically necessary based on a clinical review using such guidelines."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 8

2 On page 2, line 22, after "include the" change "office of group" to "Office of Group"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 9

4 On page 2, at the beginning of line 23, change "benefits" to "Benefits"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 10

6 On page 3, after line 4, insert the following:

7 "Section 3. The provisions of this Act apply to any new policy, contract, or health coverage  
8 plan issued on or after January 1, 2026. Any policy, contract, or health coverage plan in  
9 effect prior to January 1, 2026, shall convert to conform to the provisions of this Act on or  
10 before the renewal date, but no later than January 1, 2027."