AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL NO. 399 AS AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 17, 2017

Amendment 1

On page 4, strike out lines 22 to 39, inclusive, strike out pages 5 to 16, inclusive, on page 17, strike out lines 1 to 38, inclusive, and insert:

- SEC. 2. Section 1374.73 of the Health and Safety Code, as amended by Chapter 385 of the Statutes of 2017, is amended to read:
- 1374.73. (a) (1) Every health care service plan contract that provides hospital, medical, or surgical coverage shall also provide coverage for behavioral health treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism no later than July 1, 2012. The coverage shall be provided in the same manner and shall be subject to the same requirements as provided in Section 1374.72.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), as of the date that proposed final rulemaking for essential health benefits is issued, this section does not require any benefits to be provided that exceed the essential health benefits that all health plans will be required by federal regulations to provide under Section 1302(b) of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-152).
- (3) This section shall not affect services for which an individual is eligible pursuant to Division 4.5 (commencing with Section 4500) of the Welfare and Institutions Code or Title 14 (commencing with Section 95000) of the Government Code.
- (4) This section shall not affect or reduce any obligation to provide services under an individualized education program, as defined in Section 56032 of the Education Code, or an individual service plan, as described in Section 5600.4 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.) and its implementing regulations.
- (b) Every health care service plan subject to this section shall maintain an adequate network that includes qualified autism service providers who supervise or employ qualified autism service professionals or paraprofessionals who provide and administer behavioral health treatment. A health care service plan is not prevented from selectively contracting with providers within these requirements.
 - (c) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:
- (1) "Behavioral health treatment" means professional services and treatment programs, including applied behavior analysis and <u>other</u> evidence-based behavior intervention programs, that develop or restore, to the maximum extent practicable, the functioning of an individual with pervasive developmental disorder or autism and that meet all of the following criteria:
- (A) The treatment is prescribed by a physician and surgeon licensed pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 2000) of, or is developed by a psychologist licensed pursuant to Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 2900) of, Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (B) The treatment is provided under a treatment plan prescribed by a qualified autism service provider and is administered by one of the following:
 - (i) A qualified autism service provider.



- (ii) A qualified autism service professional supervised by the qualified autism service provider.
- (iii) A qualified autism service paraprofessional supervised by a qualified autism service provider or qualified autism service professional.
- (Ĉ) The treatment plan has measurable goals over a specific timeline that is developed and approved by the qualified autism service provider for the specific patient being treated. The treatment plan shall be reviewed no less than once every six months by the qualified autism service provider and modified whenever appropriate, and shall be consistent with Section 4686.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code pursuant to which the qualified autism service provider does all of the following:
- (i) Describes the patient's behavioral health impairments or developmental challenges that are to be treated.
- (ii) Designs an intervention plan that includes the service type, number of hours, and parent participation needed to achieve the plan's goal and objectives, and the frequency at which the patient's progress is evaluated and reported. The plan shall include parent or caregiver participation that is individualized to the patient and that takes into account the ability of the parent or caregiver to participate in therapy sessions and other recommended activities.
- (iii) Provides intervention plans that utilize evidence-based practices, with demonstrated clinical efficacy in treating pervasive developmental disorder or autism.
- (iv) Discontinues intensive behavioral intervention services when the treatment goals and objectives are achieved or no longer appropriate.
- (D) The treatment plan is not used for purposes of providing or for the reimbursement of respite, day care, or educational services and is not used to reimburse a parent for participating in the treatment program. The treatment plan shall be made available to the health care service plan upon request.
- (2) "Pervasive developmental disorder or autism" shall have the same meaning and interpretation as used in Section 1374.72.
 - (3) "Qualified autism service provider" means either of the following:
- (A) A person who is certified by a national entity, such as the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, with a certification that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, Agencies or the American National Standards Institute, and who designs, supervises, or provides treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism, provided the services are within the experience and competence of the person who is nationally certified.
- (B) A person licensed as a physician and surgeon, physical therapist, occupational therapist, psychologist, marriage and family therapist, educational psychologist, clinical social worker, professional clinical counselor, speech-language pathologist, or audiologist pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of the Business and Professions Code, who designs, supervises, or provides treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism, provided the services are within the experience and competence of the licensee.
- (4) "Qualified autism service professional" means an individual who meets all of the following criteria:
- (A) Provides behavioral health treatment, which may include clinical case management and case supervision under the direction and supervision of a qualified

autism service provider, provided that the services are consistent with the experience, training, or education of the professional.

- (B) Is supervised by a qualified autism service provider.
- (C) Provides treatment pursuant to a treatment plan developed and approved by the qualified autism service provider.
- (D) Is a behavioral service provider who meets-the education and experience qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations for an Associate Behavior Analyst, Behavior Analyst, Behavior Management Assistant, Behavior Management Consultant, or Behavior Management Program. one of the following criteria:
- (i) Meets the education and experience qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations for an associate behavior analyst, behavior analyst, behavior management assistant, behavior management consultant, or behavior management program.
- (ii) Possesses a bachelor of arts or science degree and meets one of the following qualifications:
- (I) One year of experience in designing or implementing behavioral health treatment supervised by a qualified autism service provider and 12 semester units from an accredited institution of higher learning in either applied behavioral analysis or clinical coursework in behavioral health.
- (II) Two years of experience in designing or implementing behavioral health treatment supervised by a qualified autism service provider.
- (III) The person is a registered psychological assistant or registered psychologist pursuant to Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 2900) of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (IV) The person is an associate clinical social worker registered with the Board of Behavioral Sciences pursuant to Section 4996.18 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (V) The person is a registered associate marriage and family therapist with the Board of Behavioral Sciences pursuant to Section 4980.44 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (VI) The person is a registered associate professional clinical counselor with the Board of Behavioral Sciences pursuant to Section 4999.42 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (VII) The person is credentialed or certified by a national entity, including, but not limited to, the Behavior Analyst Certification Board that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies or the American National Standards Institute to provide applied behavior analysis or behavioral health treatment, which may include case management and case supervision under the direction and supervision of a qualified autism service provider.
- (E) Has training and experience in providing services for pervasive developmental disorder or autism pursuant to Division 4.5 (commencing with Section 4500) of the Welfare and Institutions Code or Title 14 (commencing with Section 95000) of the Government Code. autism.
- (F) Is employed by the qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers responsible for the autism treatment plan.

- (G) Has completed a background check performed by a Department of Justice approved agency, with subsequent notification to his or her employer pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal Code.
- (5) "Qualified autism service paraprofessional" means an unlicensed and uncertified individual who meets all of the following criteria:
- (A) Is supervised by a qualified autism service provider or qualified autism service professional at a level of clinical supervision that meets professionally recognized standards of practice.
- (B) Provides treatment and implements services pursuant to a treatment plan developed and approved by the qualified autism service provider.
- (C) Meets the education and training qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations. one of the following:
- (i) The education and training qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations.

(ii) All of the following qualifications:

- (I) Possesses an associate's degree or has completed two years of study from an accredited college or university with coursework in a related field of study.
- (II) Has 40 hours of training in the specific form of behavioral health treatment developed by a qualified autism service provider and administered by a qualified autism service provider or qualified autism service professional competent in the form of behavioral health treatment to be practiced by the paraprofessional.
- (III) Has adequate education, training, and experience, as certified by a qualified autism service provider.
- (iii) Is credentialed or certified in applied behavior analysis or behavioral health treatment for paraprofessionals or technicians by a national entity, including, but not limited to, the Behavior Analyst Certification Board or another credentialing or certifying entity that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, or the American National Standards Institute.
- (iv) Upon successful completion of the training and education necessary for certification or a credential described in clause (iii) if the applicant is otherwise qualified under this section, the applicant may provide treatment and implement services for up to 180 days while in the process of obtaining the certification or credential.
- (D) Has adequate education, training, and experience, as certified by a qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers.
- (E) Is employed by the qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers responsible for the autism treatment plan.
- (F) Has completed a background check performed by a Department of Justice approved agency, with subsequent notification to his or her employer pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal Code.
 - (d) This section shall not apply to the following:
- (1) A specialized health care service plan that does not deliver mental health or behavioral health services to enrollees.
- (2) A health care service plan contract in the Medi-Cal program (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code).

- (e) This section does not limit the obligation to provide services under Section 1374.72.
- (f) (1) As provided in Section 1374.72 and in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), in the provision of benefits required by this section, a health care service plan may utilize case management, network providers, utilization review techniques, prior authorization, copayments, or other cost sharing.
- (2) If a health care service plan uses utilization review techniques, they shall not be conducted more frequently than every six months and shall be conducted in accordance with good professional practice and the requirements of Section 1363.5.
- (g) (1) The setting, location or time of treatment recommended by the qualified autism service provider shall not be used as a reason to deny or reduce coverage for medically necessary services.
- (2) The lack of parent or caregiver participation shall not be used as a basis for denying or reducing coverage of medically necessary services.
- (3) The provision of services under this section, including any limits on the scope or duration of these services, shall be in compliance with all of the following:
- (A) The Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-343), and all rules, regulations, or guidance issued pursuant to Section 2726 of the federal Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-26).
 - (B) The Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101).
- SEC. 3. Section 10144.51 of the Insurance Code, as amended by Chapter 385 of the Statutes of 2017, is amended to read:
- 10144.51. (a) (1) Every health insurance policy shall also provide coverage for behavioral health treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism no later than July 1, 2012. The coverage shall be provided in the same manner and shall be subject to the same requirements as provided in Section 10144.5.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), as of the date that proposed final rulemaking for essential health benefits is issued, this section does not require any benefits to be provided that exceed the essential health benefits that all health insurers will be required by federal regulations to provide under Section 1302(b) of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-152).
- (3) This section shall not affect services for which an individual is eligible pursuant to Division 4.5 (commencing with Section 4500) of the Welfare and Institutions Code or Title 14 (commencing with Section 95000) of the Government Code.
- (4) This section shall not affect or reduce any obligation to provide services under an individualized education program, as defined in Section 56032 of the Education Code, or an individual service plan, as described in Section 5600.4 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.) and its implementing regulations.
- (b) Pursuant to Article 6 (commencing with Section 2240) of Subchapter 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 10 of the California Code of Regulations, every health insurer subject to this section shall maintain an adequate network that includes qualified autism service providers who supervise or employ qualified autism service professionals or paraprofessionals who provide and administer behavioral health treatment. A health

insurer is not prevented from selectively contracting with providers within these requirements.

- (c) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:
- (1) "Behavioral health treatment" means professional services and treatment programs, including applied behavior analysis and <u>other</u> evidence-based behavior intervention programs, that develop or restore, to the maximum extent practicable, the functioning of an individual with pervasive developmental disorder or autism, and that meet all of the following criteria:
- (A) The treatment is prescribed by a physician and surgeon licensed pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 2000) of, or is developed by a psychologist licensed pursuant to Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 2900) of, Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (B) The treatment is provided under a treatment plan prescribed by a qualified autism service provider and is administered by one of the following:
 - (i) A qualified autism service provider.
- (ii) A qualified autism service professional supervised by the qualified autism service provider.
- (iii) A qualified autism service paraprofessional supervised by a qualified autism service provider or qualified autism service professional.
- (C) The treatment plan has measurable goals over a specific timeline that is developed and approved by the qualified autism service provider for the specific patient being treated. The treatment plan shall be reviewed no less than once every six months by the qualified autism service provider and modified whenever appropriate, and shall be consistent with Section 4686.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code pursuant to which the qualified autism service provider does all of the following:
- (i) Describes the patient's behavioral health impairments or developmental challenges that are to be treated.
- (ii) Designs an intervention plan that includes the service type, number of hours, and parent participation needed to achieve the plan's goal and objectives, and the frequency at which the patient's progress is evaluated and reported. The plan shall include parent or caregiver participation that is individualized to the patient and that takes into account the ability of the parent or caregiver to participate in therapy sessions and other recommended activities.
- (iii) Provides intervention plans that utilize evidence-based practices, with demonstrated clinical efficacy in treating pervasive developmental disorder or autism.
- (iv) Discontinues intensive behavioral intervention services when the treatment goals and objectives are achieved or no longer appropriate.
- (D) The treatment plan is not used for purposes of providing or for the reimbursement of respite, day care, or educational services and is not used to reimburse a parent for participating in the treatment program. The treatment plan shall be made available to the insurer upon request.
- (2) "Pervasive developmental disorder or autism" shall have the same meaning and interpretation as used in Section 10144.5.
 - (3) "Qualified autism service provider" means either of the following:
- (A) A person who is certified by a national entity, such as the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, with a certification that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, Agencies or the American National Standards Institute, and

who designs, supervises, or provides treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism, provided the services are within the experience and competence of the person who is nationally certified.

- (B) A person licensed as a physician and surgeon, physical therapist, occupational therapist, psychologist, marriage and family therapist, educational psychologist, clinical social worker, professional clinical counselor, speech-language pathologist, or audiologist pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of the Business and Professions Code, who designs, supervises, or provides treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism, provided the services are within the experience and competence of the licensee.
- (4) "Qualified autism service professional" means an individual who meets all of the following criteria:
- (A) Provides behavioral health treatment, which may include clinical case management and case supervision under the direction and supervision of a qualified autism service provider, provided that the services are consistent with the experience, training, or education of the professional.
 - (B) Is supervised by a qualified autism service provider.
- (C) Provides treatment pursuant to a treatment plan developed and approved by the qualified autism service provider.
- (D) Is a behavioral service provider who meets the education and experience qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations for an Associate Behavior Analyst, Behavior Analyst, Behavior Management Assistant, Behavior Management Consultant, or Behavior Management Program. one of the following criteria:
- (i) Meets the education and experience qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations for an associate behavior analyst, behavior analyst, behavior management assistant, behavior management consultant, or behavior management program.
- (ii) Possesses a bachelor of arts or science degree and meets one of the following qualifications:
- (I) One year of experience in designing or implementing behavioral health treatment supervised by a qualified autism service provider and 12 semester units from an accredited institution of higher learning in either applied behavioral analysis or clinical coursework in behavioral health.
- (II) Two years of experience in designing or implementing behavioral health treatment supervised by a qualified autism service provider.
- (III) The person is a registered psychological assistant or registered psychologist pursuant to Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 2900) of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.
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- (V) The person is a registered associate marriage and family therapist with the Board of Behavioral Sciences pursuant to Section 4980.44 of the Business and Professions Code.

- (VI) The person is a registered associate professional clinical counselor with the Board of Behavioral Sciences pursuant to Section 4999.42 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (VII) The person is credentialed or certified by a national entity, including, but not limited to, the Behavior Analyst Certification Board that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies or the American National Standards Institute to provide applied behavior analysis or behavioral health treatment, which may include case management and case supervision under the direction and supervision of a qualified autism service provider.
- (E) Has training and experience in providing services for pervasive developmental disorder or autism pursuant to Division 4.5 (commencing with Section 4500) of the Welfare and Institutions Code or Title 14 (commencing with Section 95000) of the Government Code. autism.
- (F) Is employed by the qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers responsible for the autism treatment plan.
- (G) Has completed a background check performed by a Department of Justice approved agency, with subsequent notification to his or her employer pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal Code.
- (5) "Qualified autism service paraprofessional" means an unlicensed and uncertified individual who meets all of the following criteria:
- (A) Is supervised by a qualified autism service provider or qualified autism service professional at a level of clinical supervision that meets professionally recognized standards of practice.
- (B) Provides treatment and implements services pursuant to a treatment plan developed and approved by the qualified autism service provider.
- (C) Meets the education and training qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations. one of the following:
- (i) The education and training qualifications described in Section 54342 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations.
 - (ii) All of the following qualifications:
- (I) Possesses an associate's degree or has completed two years of study from an accredited college or university with coursework in a related field of study.
- (II) Has 40 hours of training in the specific form of behavioral health treatment developed by a qualified autism service provider and administered by a qualified autism service provider or qualified autism service professional competent in the form of behavioral health treatment to be practiced by the paraprofessional.
- (III) Has adequate education, training, and experience, as certified by a qualified autism service provider.
- (iii) Is credentialed or certified in applied behavior analysis or behavioral health treatment for paraprofessionals or technicians by a national entity, including, but not limited to, the Behavior Analyst Certification Board or another credentialing or certifying entity that is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, or the American National Standards Institute.
- (iv) Upon successful completion of the training and education necessary for certification or a credential described in clause (iii) if the applicant is otherwise qualified

under this section, the applicant may provide treatment and implement services for up to 180 days while in the process of obtaining the certification or credential.

- (D) Has adequate education, training, and experience, as certified by a qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers.
- (E) Is employed by the qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers responsible for the autism treatment plan.
- (F) Has completed a background check performed by a Department of Justice approved agency, with subsequent notification to his or her employer pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal Code.
 - (d) This section shall not apply to the following:
- (1) A specialized health insurance policy that does not cover mental health or behavioral health services or an accident only, specified disease, hospital indemnity, or Medicare supplement policy.
- (2) A health insurance policy in the Medi-Cal program (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code).
- (e) This section does not limit the obligation to provide services under Section 10144.5.
- (f) (1) As provided in Section 10144.5 and in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), in the provision of benefits required by this section, a health insurer may utilize case management, network providers, utilization review techniques, prior authorization, copayments, or other cost sharing.
- (2) If a health insurance policy uses utilization review techniques, they shall not be conducted more frequently than every six months and shall be conducted in accordance with good professional practice and the requirements of Section 10123.135.
- (g) (1) The setting, location, or time of treatment recommended by the qualified autism service provider shall not be used as a reason to deny or reduce coverage for medically necessary services.
- (2) Lack of parent or caregiver participation shall not be used as a basis for denying or reducing coverage of medically necessary services.
- (3) The provision of services under this section, including any limits on the scope or duration of these services, shall be in compliance with all of the following:
- (A) The Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-343), and all rules, regulations, or guidance issued pursuant to Section 2726 of the federal Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-26).
 - (B) The Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101).

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 399, as amended, Portantino. Health care coverage: pervasive developmental disorder or autism.

Existing law, the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act, requires the State Department of Developmental Services to contract with regional centers to provide services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Existing law defines developmental disability for these purposes, to include, among other things, autism.

Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law also provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Existing law requires a health care service plan contract or a health insurance policy to provide coverage for behavioral health treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism, and defines "behavioral health treatment" to mean specified services provided by, among others, a qualified autism service professional or a qualified autism service paraprofessional supervised and employed by a qualified autism service provider. A "qualified autism service provider" is defined as a person, entity, or group person that meets certain certification and specialization criteria or a person licensed as a specified healing arts professional who meets certain specialization criteria. For purposes of this provision, existing law defines a "qualified autism service professional" to mean a person who, among other requirements, is a behavioral service provider approved as a vendor by a California regional center to provide services as an associate behavior analyst, behavior analyst, behavior management assistant, behavior management consultant, or behavior management program pursuant to specified regulations adopted under the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act. Existing law also defines a "qualified autism service paraprofessional" to mean an unlicensed and uncertified individual who, among other things, meets the criteria set forth in regulations adopted pursuant to the provisions that require the State Department of Social Services to adopt emergency regulations regarding the use of paraprofessionals in group practice provider behavioral intervention services for developmentally disabled persons living in the community.

This bill, among other things, would no longer permit entities or groups to be qualified autism service providers. The bill would expand the definition of "qualified autism service professional" to include behavioral service providers who meet specified educational, professional, and work experience qualifications. The bill, with regard to the definition of "qualified autism service paraprofessional," would also authorize the substitution of specified education, work experience, and training qualifications, or the substitution of specified credentialing or certification, for the requirement to meet the criteria set forth in regulations adopted by the State Department of Social Services, as described above. The bill would also require providers to pass a background check,

as specified, in order to meet the definition of a qualified autism service professional or a qualified autism service paraprofessional.

This bill would require that the treatment plan be reviewed, as specified, and would require that the intervention plan include parent or caregiver participation that is individualized to the patient and that takes into account the ability of the parent or caregiver to participate in therapy sessions and other recommended activities. The bill would specify that health care service plans and health insurers are not required to provide reimbursement for services delivered by school personnel pursuant to an enrollee's individualized educational program unless otherwise required by law, that lack of parent or caregiver participation not be used to deny or reduce medically necessary services, services and that the setting, location, or time of treatment not be used as a reason to deny medically necessary services. Because a willful violation of the bill's provisions by a health care service plan would be a crime, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

Existing law makes the above-described provisions relating to the provision of coverage for behavioral health treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism inapplicable to certain health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies, including, among others, a health care benefit plan or contract entered into with the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System pursuant to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act.

This bill would make these provisions applicable to a health care benefit plan or contract entered into with the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System pursuant to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

No. 399

Introduced by Senator Portantino

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 399, as amended, Portantino. Health care coverage: pervasive developmental disorder or autism.

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