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## Representative Pete Petersen District 19

### Sectional Analysis HB 187 Insurance Coverage: Autism Spectrum Disorders

**Sec. 1:** Amends current insurance statute (AS 21.42) to include coverage for autism spectrum disorders.

- Must cover treatment of the disorders as prescribed by a licensed physician or psychologist.
- The treatment will be provided by an autism service provider.
- The treatment will be outlined in a treatment plan (prescribed by the physician or psychologist) following a comprehensive evaluation
- Treatment includes: medically necessary pharmacy care, psychiatric care, psychological care, rehabilitative care, and therapeutic care

Coverage includes those under the age of 21 years, and there is a maximum yearly benefit of \$36,000, adjusted annually for inflation.

**Sec. 2:** Regarding applicability: applies to policies issued on or after January 1, 2010.

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### Departments Affected by HB 187

- Health & Social Services
- Commerce, Community and Economic Development: Division of Insurance