

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An
2 act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and
3 consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of
4 insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and
5 protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds
6 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and
7 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and
8 supervision of insurance carried by such companies,
9 associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by
10 the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and
11 repealing existing laws," in casualty insurance, providing
12 for coverage for treatment of pediatric autoimmune
13 neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal
14 infections and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric
15 syndrome.

16 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
17 hereby enacts as follows:

18 Section 1. The act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known
19 as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, is amended by adding a
20 section to read:

21 Section 635.8. Coverage for Treatment of Pediatric
22 Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with
23 Streptococcal Infections and Pediatric Acute Onset
24 Neuropsychiatric Syndrome.--(a) A group or individual policy of

1 health and accident insurance or managed care plan that is
2 amended, delivered, issued or renewed after the effective date
3 of this section shall provide coverage for treatment of
4 pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with
5 streptococcal infection and pediatric acute onset
6 neuropsychiatric syndrome, including the use of intravenous
7 immunoglobulin therapy.

8 (b) If, at any time, the United States Secretary of Health
9 and Human Services, or a successor officer, promulgates rules or
10 regulations to be published in the Federal Register or publishes
11 a comment in the Federal Register or issues an opinion,
12 guidance, or other action that would require the Commonwealth,
13 under any provision of the Patient Protection and Affordable
14 Care Act (Public Law 111-148, 124 Stat. 119), including 42
15 U.S.C. § 18031(d)(3)(B) (relating to affordable choices of
16 health benefits) or any successor provision, to defray the cost
17 of any coverage for pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric
18 disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric
19 acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome outlined in this section,
20 then the requirement that an insurer cover pediatric autoimmune
21 neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal
22 infections and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome
23 is inoperative other than any coverage authorized under section
24 1902 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 1396a), and the
25 Commonwealth shall not assume any obligation for the cost of
26 coverage for pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders
27 associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute
28 onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.

29 (c) As used in this section:

30 (1) "Pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome" means

1 a clinical diagnosis given to children who have a sudden onset
2 of neuropsychiatric symptoms, including obsessive-compulsive
3 disorder and restricted food intake.

4 (2) "Pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders
5 associated with streptococcal infections" means a clinical
6 diagnosis given to children who develop a sudden onset of
7 obsessive-compulsive disorder or involuntary purposeless
8 movements as a result of a streptococcal infection.

9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.