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Introduced by M. of A. JONES, GALEF, SIMON, LUPARDO, ENGLEBRIGHT, MAGNARELLI, RICHARDSON, MONTESANO, COLTON, BLANKENBUSH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to requiring certain health insurance policies to cover costs for pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (i) of section 3216 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new paragraph 36 to read as follows:

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- (36)(A) Every health plan, and health insurance issuer offering health insurance coverage in connection with a group health plan, shall provide coverage for a participant or beneficiary who has pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome if the attending physician of the participant or beneficiary certifies in writing the medical necessity of that proposed course of rehabilitative treatment.
- (B) As used in this paragraph, the term "pediatric acute-onset neurop-9 10 sychiatric syndrome" shall have the same meaning as such term is used in 11 paragraph (n) of subdivision one of section two hundred seven of the 12 public health law.
- 13 § 2. Subsection (k) of section 3221 of the insurance law is amended by 14 adding a new paragraph 22 to read as follows:
- (22) (A) Every health plan, and health insurance issuer offering 16 health insurance coverage in connection with a group health plan, shall 17 provide coverage for a participant or beneficiary who has pediatric 18 acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome if the attending physician of the participant or beneficiary certifies in writing the medical necessity of 20 that proposed course of rehabilitative treatment.
- 21 (B) As used in this paragraph, the term "pediatric acute-onset neurop-22 sychiatric syndrome" shall have the same meaning as such term is used in

EXPLANATION -- Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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paragraph (n) of subdivision one of section two hundred seven of the public health law.

- 3 § 3. Section 4303 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new 4 subsection (ss) to read as follows:
 - (ss)(1) Every health plan, and health insurance issuer offering health insurance coverage in connection with a group health plan, shall provide coverage for a participant or beneficiary who has pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome if the attending physician of the participant or beneficiary certifies in writing the medical necessity of that proposed course of rehabilitative treatment.
- 12 <u>(2) As used in this subsection, the term "pediatric acute-onset</u>
 12 <u>neuropsychiatric syndrome" shall have the same meaning as such term is</u>
 13 <u>used in paragraph (n) of subdivision one of section two hundred seven of</u>
 14 <u>the public health law.</u>
- 15 § 4. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-16 ing the date on which it shall have become a law and shall apply accord-17 ing to its terms to all policies, contracts and certificates issued, 18 renewed, modified, altered or amended on or after such effective date.