

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Representative Carlson

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision d of subsection 2 of section 26.1-36-08 and
2 paragraph 4 of subdivision f of subsection 2 of section 26.1-36-09 of the North Dakota Century
3 Code, relating to group health policy and health service contract substance abuse and mental
4 disorder insurance coverage.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subdivision d of subsection 2 of section 26.1-36-08 of the
7 North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 d. In the case of benefits provided for outpatient treatment, the benefits must be
9 provided for a minimum of twenty visits for services covered under this section
10 in any calendar year, provided the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment
11 services are provided within the scope of licensure by a licensed physician, a
12 licensed psychologist who is eligible for listing on the national register of
13 health service providers in psychology, or the treatment services are provided
14 within the scope of licensure by a licensed addiction counselor. The
15 insurance company, nonprofit health service corporation, or health
16 maintenance organization may not establish a deductible or a copayment for
17 the first five visits in any calendar year, and may not establish a copayment
18 greater than twenty percent for the remaining treatment visits.

19 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Paragraph 4 of subdivision f of subsection 2 of section
20 26.1-36-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

21 (4) The insurance company, nonprofit health service corporation, or health
22 maintenance organization may not establish a deductible or a
23 copayment for the first five hours in any calendar year, and may not

- 1 ~~establish a copayment~~ greater than twenty percent for the remaining
- 2 treatment hours.