**HOUSE BILL No. XXXX**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected**:

**Synopsis:** Establishes substance abuse medication requirements.

**Effective:** July 1, 2019.

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January 15, 2019, read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Insurance

 Introduced

First Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2019)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~. Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution. Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *~~this style type~~* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2018 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning insurance

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 27-8-5-15.10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]:

**Sec. 15.10. (a) All insurers that issue policies of individual or group accident and sickness insurance that provide coverage of substance abuse benefits shall not impose any prior authorization requirements on any prescription medication approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of substance abuse.**

 **(b) All insurers that issue policies of individual or group accident and sickness insurance that provide coverage of substance abuse benefits shall not impose any step therapy requirements before the insurer will authorize coverage for a prescription medication approved by the FDA for the treatment of substance abuse.**

 **(c) All insurers that issue policies of individual or group accident and sickness insurance that provide coverage of substance abuse benefits shall place all prescription medications approved by the FDA for the treatment of substance abuse on the lowest tier of the drug formulary developed and maintained by the insurer.**

 **(d) All insurers that issue policies of individual or group accident and sickness insurance that provide coverage of substance abuse benefits shall not exclude coverage for any prescription medication approved by the FDA for the treatment of substance abuse and any associated counseling or wraparound services on the grounds that such medications and services were court ordered.**