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House Bill 4059 (as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Pauline Wendzel
House Committee: Health Policy
Senate Committee: Health Policy and Human Services

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to specify that a child with a confirmed diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder is not required to have a re-evaluation to determine continued eligibility for behavioral health treatment unless a re-evaluation was medically necessary.

Proposed MCL 400.109n

Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a marginal impact on Medicaid costs for autism services. Reducing the number of re-evaluations would reduce program costs by a small amount relative to overall spending. Reducing the number of re-evaluations for those receiving services could, in cases in which the original evaluation was inaccurate, lead to increases in spending on services.

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