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H.B. No. 592

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 592:

By: Turner of Tarrant

C.S.H.B. No. 592

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the definition of serious mental illness for purposes  
3 of certain group health benefit plans.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 1355.001, Insurance Code, is amended by  
6 amending Subdivision (1) and adding Subdivision (5) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (1) "Serious mental illness" means the following  
9 psychiatric illnesses as defined by the American Psychiatric  
10 Association in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental  
11 Disorders (DSM):

12 (A) bipolar disorders (hypomanic, manic,  
13 depressive, and mixed);

14 (B) depression in childhood and adolescence;

15 (C) major depressive disorders (single episode  
16 or recurrent);

17 (D) obsessive-compulsive disorders;

18 (E) paranoid and other psychotic disorders;

19 (F) posttraumatic stress disorder;

20 (G) schizo-affective disorders (bipolar or  
21 depressive); and

22 (H) [~~(G)~~] schizophrenia.

23 (5) "Posttraumatic stress disorder" means a disorder  
24 that:

1           (A) meets the diagnostic criteria for  
2 posttraumatic stress disorder specified by the American  
3 Psychiatric Association in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of  
4 Mental Disorders, fourth edition, or in a subsequent edition of  
5 that manual that the commissioner adopts to take the place of the  
6 fourth edition for the purposes of this subdivision; and  
7           (B) results in an impairment of a person's  
8 functioning in the person's community, employment, family, school,  
9 or social group.

10           SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
11 to a group health benefit plan that is delivered, issued for  
12 delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2014. A group health  
13 benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed  
14 before January 1, 2014, is governed by the law as it existed  
15 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is  
16 continued in effect for that purpose.

17           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.