

**SENATE AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Amend SS/Senate Bill No. 212, Page 4, Section 149.076, Line 17,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "191.1165. 1. Medication-assisted treatment (MAT)  
4 shall include pharmacologic therapies. A formulary used by  
5 a health insurer or managed by a pharmacy benefits manager,  
6 or medical benefit coverage in the case of medications  
7 dispensed through an opioid treatment program, shall include:

8 (1) Buprenorphine [tablets];

9 (2) Methadone;

10 (3) Naloxone;

11 (4) [Extended-release injectable] Naltrexone; and

12 (5) Buprenorphine/naloxone combination.

13 2. All MAT medications required for compliance in this  
14 section shall be placed on the lowest cost-sharing tier of  
15 the formulary managed by the health insurer or the pharmacy  
16 benefits manager.

17 3. MAT medications provided for in this section shall  
18 not be subject to any of the following:

19 (1) Any annual or lifetime dollar limitations;

20 (2) Financial requirements and quantitative treatment  
21 limitations that do not comply with the Mental Health Parity  
22 and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (MHPAEA), specifically 45  
23 CFR 146.136(c) (3);

24 (3) Step therapy or other similar drug utilization  
25 strategy or policy when it conflicts or interferes with a

26 prescribed or recommended course of treatment from a  
27 licensed health care professional; and

28 (4) Prior authorization for MAT medications as  
29 specified in this section.

30 4. MAT medications outlined in this section shall  
31 apply to all health insurance plans delivered in the state  
32 of Missouri.

33 5. Any entity that holds itself out as a treatment  
34 program or that applies for licensure by the state to  
35 provide clinical treatment services for substance use  
36 disorders shall be required to disclose the MAT services it  
37 provides, as well as which of its levels of care have been  
38 certified by an independent, national, or other organization  
39 that has competencies in the use of the applicable placement  
40 guidelines and level of care standards.

41 6. The MO HealthNet program shall cover the MAT  
42 medications and services provided for in this section and  
43 include those MAT medications in its preferred drug lists  
44 for the treatment of substance use disorders and prevention  
45 of overdose and death. The preferred drug list shall  
46 include all current and new formulations and medications  
47 that are approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration  
48 for the treatment of substance use disorders.

49 7. The department of corrections and all other state  
50 entities responsible for the care of persons detained or  
51 incarcerated in jails or prisons shall be required to ensure  
52 all persons under their care are assessed for substance  
53 abuse disorders using standard diagnostic criteria by a  
54 social worker, licensed professional counselor, licensed  
55 psychologist, or psychiatrist. The department of  
56 corrections or entity shall make available the MAT services  
57 covered in this section, consistent with a treatment plan  
58 developed by a physician, and shall not impose any arbitrary

59 limitations on the type of medication or other treatment  
60 prescribed or the dose or duration of MAT recommended by the  
61 physician.

62 8. Drug courts or other diversion programs that  
63 provide for alternatives to jail or prison for persons with  
64 a substance use disorder shall be required to ensure all  
65 persons under their care are assessed for substance use  
66 disorders using standard diagnostic criteria by a licensed  
67 physician who actively treats patients with substance use  
68 disorders. The court or other diversion program shall make  
69 available the MAT services covered under this section,  
70 consistent with a treatment plan developed by the physician,  
71 and shall not impose any limitations on the type of  
72 medication or other treatment prescribed or the dose or  
73 duration of MAT recommended by the physician.

74 **[8.]** 9. Requirements under this section shall not be  
75 subject to a covered person's prior success or failure of  
76 the services provided."; and

77 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.