

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 SENATE BILL 1041

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state government; requiring health
8 benefit plans offered by the State and Education
9 Employees Group Insurance Board and the Oklahoma
10 State Employees Benefits Council to provide certain
coverage for the treatment of obesity under certain
conditions; providing for codification; and providing
an effective date.

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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1329 of Title 74, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. All health benefit plans that are offered by the State and
18 Education Employees Group Insurance Board for the plan year
19 beginning January 1, 2010, and each plan year thereafter, shall
20 provide coverage for the treatment of obesity through bariatric
21 surgery when the prescribing physician has issued a written order
22 stating that treatment is medically necessary and in accordance with
23 the patient qualifications and treatment standards set forth by the
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1 American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery or the American
2 College of Surgeons.

3 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1375 of Title 74, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 All health benefit plans that are offered by the Oklahoma State
7 Employees Benefits Council for the plan year beginning January 1,
8 2010, and each plan year thereafter, shall provide coverage for the
9 treatment of obesity through bariatric surgery when the prescribing
10 physician has issued a written order stating that treatment is
11 medically necessary and in accordance with the patient
12 qualifications and treatment standards set forth by the American
13 Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery or the American College
14 of Surgeons.

15 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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