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S.F. No. 2209 – Insurance Mandate for Gender Affirming Care (as amended by the A-1)

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S.F. 2209 prohibits public and private health plans from excluding coverage for medically necessary gender-affirming care or from requiring gender affirming treatments to satisfy a definition of "medically necessary" care that is more restrictive than the definition provided in statute. Medically necessary is defined as health care services that are appropriate for the enrollee's diagnosis or condition, and the treatment must help restore or maintain the enrollee's health or prevent deterioration of the enrollee's condition. The bill also amends the medical assistance statute related to gender affirming care.