HOUSE BILL NO. XXXX

Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Parity.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A BILL

for

AN ACT relating to health insurance; specifying coverage requirements for medications for the treatment of substance use disorder.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

**Section 1.** W.S. 26-20-701 is created to read:

Article 7

Coverage for Medications to Treat Substance Use Disorder

**26-20-701. Coverage of medications for treatment of substance use disorder.**

(a) Each insurer, nonprofit corporation, and health maintenance organization that provides prescription drug benefits for the treatment of substance use disorder shall not impose any prior authorization requirements on any prescription medication approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of substance use disorders.

(b) Each insurer, nonprofit corporation, and health maintenance organization that provides prescription drug benefits for the treatment of substance use disorder shall not impose any step therapy requirements before the insurer, nonprofit corporation, or health maintenance organization will authorize coverage for a prescription medication approved by the FDA for the treatment of substance use disorders.

(c) Each insurer, nonprofit corporation, and health maintenance organization that provides prescription drug benefits for the treatment of substance use disorder shall place all prescription medications approved by the FDA for the treatment of substance use disorders on the lowest tier of the drug formulary developed and maintained by the insurer, nonprofit corporation, or health maintenance organization.

(d) Each insurer, nonprofit corporation, and health maintenance organization that provides prescription drug benefits for the treatment of substance use disorder shall not exclude coverage for any prescription medication approved by the FDA for the treatment of substance use disorders and any associated counseling or wraparound services on the grounds that such medications and services were court ordered.

**Section 2.** This act shall only apply to any individual or group health insurance policy or plan that is delivered, issued, renewed, modified, amended or extended on or after July 1, 2019.

**Section 3.** This shall is effective July 1, 2019.

(END)