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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to insurance; requiring that physical therapy coverage include physical
1.3 therapy for maintenance of health status for patients with progressive conditions;
1.4 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **[62Q.676] COVERAGE FOR MAINTENANCE PHYSICAL**
1.7 **THERAPY; PROGRESSIVE DISABILITY OR ILLNESS.**

1.8 A health plan that covers physical therapy must include in that coverage physical
1.9 therapy intended to prevent, reduce, or reduce the likelihood of deterioration in the
1.10 enrollee's physical status due to a progressive illness, progressive disability, or other
1.11 progressive condition. A health plan shall not cover such physical therapy less favorably
1.12 in any way than physical therapy intended to improve a person's physical status.

1.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2008, and applies to
1.14 policies, contracts, and certificates offered, issued, sold, renewed, or continued as defined
1.15 in section 60A.02, subdivision 2a, on or after that date.