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Excused Absences for Autism-Related Services

 A district's attendance requirements shall include a policy adopted by the school board that allows excusing the absence of a student who has been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder to receive certain services.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1. Section 299.1 New Subsection

Policies and rules adopted by the school board shall include excusing the absence of a student who has been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder to do any of the following:

- Attend an appointment with a health care practitioner.
- Receive services generally recognized to assist people with autism spectrum disorder including applied behavioral analysis, speech therapy, and occupational therapy.
- Travel to an appointment to receive services above.