

HOUSE BILL No. 5282

October 11, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Virgil Smith, Scott, Polidori, Condino, Lemmons, Farrah, Hopgood, Accavitti, Gonzales, Mayes, Gaffney, Young, Hune, Constan, Robert Jones, Simpson, Wojno, Kathleen Law, Spade, Meadows, Vagnozzi, Alma Smith, Warren, Bauer, Johnson, Melton, Rick Jones, Moore, Hammon, Ward, Clack, Clemente, Griffin, Valentine, Ebli, Gillard, Byrnes, Sak, Hildenbrand, Meisner, Bennett, Hammel, Leland, Miller, Angerer, Corriveau, LeBlanc, Coulouris, Hood, Sheltroun, Dean, Brown, Cheeks, Green, Moolenaar, Byrum, Wenke, Stakoe, David Law, LaJoy, Hansen, Donigan, Palsrok, Bieda, Cushingberry and Shaffer and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled

"The insurance code of 1956,"

by amending sections 2213b, 3406f, 3503, 3519, 3521, 3525, and 3539 (MCL 500.2213b, 500.3406f, 500.3503, 500.3519, 500.3521, 500.3525, and 500.3539), section 2213b as amended by 1998 PA 457, section 3406f as added by 1996 PA 517, section 3503 as amended by 2006 PA 366, sections 3519 and 3539 as amended by 2005 PA 306, and sections 3521 and 3525 as added by 2000 PA 252, and by adding chapter 37A.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2213b. ~~(1) Except as provided in this section, an insurer~~
2 ~~that delivers, issues for delivery, or renews in this state an~~
3 ~~expense incurred hospital, medical, or surgical individual policy~~
4 ~~under chapter 34 shall renew or continue in force the policy at the~~
5 ~~option of the individual.~~

1 (1) ~~(2)~~—Except as provided in this section **AND SECTION 3711**,
2 an insurer that delivers, issues for delivery, or renews in this
3 state an expense-incurred hospital, medical, or surgical group
4 policy or certificate under chapter 36 shall renew or continue in
5 force the policy or certificate at the option of the sponsor of the
6 plan.

7 (2) ~~(3)~~—Guaranteed renewal is not required in cases of fraud,
8 intentional misrepresentation of material fact, lack of payment, if
9 the insurer no longer offers that particular type of coverage in
10 the market, or if the individual or group moves outside the service
11 area.

12 (3) ~~(4)~~—Subsections (1) ~~, AND~~ (2) ~~, and (3)~~ do not apply to a
13 short-term or 1-time limited duration policy or certificate of no
14 longer than 6 months.

15 (4) ~~(5)~~—For the purposes of this section and section 3406f, a
16 short-term or 1-time limited duration policy or certificate of no
17 longer than 6 months is an individual health policy that meets all
18 of the following:

19 (a) Is issued to provide coverage for a period of 185 days or
20 less, except that the health policy may permit a limited extension
21 of benefits after the date the policy ended solely for expenses
22 attributable to a condition for which a covered person incurred
23 expenses during the term of the policy.

24 (b) Is nonrenewable, provided that the health insurer may
25 provide coverage for 1 or more subsequent periods that satisfy
26 subdivision (a), if the total of the periods of coverage do not
27 exceed a total of 185 days out of any 365-day period, plus any

1 additional days permitted by the policy for a condition for which a
 2 covered person incurred expenses during the term of the policy.

3 (c) Does not cover any preexisting conditions.

4 (d) Is available with an immediate effective date, without
 5 underwriting, upon receipt by the insurer of a completed
 6 application indicating eligibility under the health insurer's
 7 eligibility requirements, except that coverage that includes
 8 optional benefits may be offered on a basis that does not meet this
 9 requirement.

10 (5) ~~(6)~~ An insurer that delivers, issues for delivery, or
 11 renews in this state a short-term or 1-time limited duration policy
 12 or certificate of no longer than 6 months shall provide the
 13 ~~following to the commissioner:~~

14 ~~—— (a) By no later than February 1, 1999, a written report that~~
 15 ~~discloses both of the following:~~

16 ~~—— (i) The gross written premium for short term or 1-time limited~~
 17 ~~duration policies or certificates of no longer than 6 months issued~~
 18 ~~in this state during the 1996 calendar year.~~

19 ~~—— (ii) The gross written premium for all individual expense~~
 20 ~~incurred hospital, medical, or surgical policies or certificates~~
 21 ~~issued or delivered in this state during the 1996 calendar year~~
 22 ~~other than policies or certificates described in subparagraph (i).~~

23 ~~—— (b) By~~ **BY** no later than March 31, 1999 and annually
 24 thereafter, a written annual report that discloses both of the
 25 following:

26 **(A)** ~~(i)~~ The gross written premium for short-term or 1-time
 27 limited duration policies or certificates issued in this state

1 during the preceding calendar year.

2 (B) ~~(ii)~~—The gross written premium for all individual expense-
 3 incurred hospital, medical, or surgical policies or certificates
 4 issued or delivered in this state during the preceding calendar
 5 year other than policies or certificates described in ~~subparagraph~~
 6 ~~(i)~~—**SUBDIVISION (A)** .

7 (6) ~~(7)~~—The commissioner shall maintain copies of reports
 8 prepared pursuant to subsection ~~(6)~~—(5) on file with the annual
 9 statement of each reporting insurer. The commissioner shall
 10 annually compile the reports received under subsection ~~(6)~~—(5). The
 11 commissioner shall provide this annual compilation to the senate
 12 and house of representatives standing committees on insurance
 13 issues no later than the June 1 immediately following the February
 14 1 or March 31 date for which the reports under subsection ~~(6)~~—(5)
 15 are provided.

16 (7) ~~(8)~~—In each calendar year, a health insurer shall not
 17 continue to issue short-term or 1-time limited duration policies or
 18 certificates if to do so the collective gross written premiums on
 19 those policies or certificates would total more than 10% of the
 20 collective gross written premiums for all individual expense-
 21 incurred hospital, medical, or surgical policies or certificates
 22 issued or delivered in this state either directly by that insurer
 23 or through a corporation that owns or is owned by that insurer.

24 Sec. 3406f. (1) An insurer may exclude or limit coverage for a
 25 condition as follows:

26 ~~—— (a) For an individual covered under an individual policy or~~
 27 ~~certificate or any other policy or certificate not covered under~~

~~subdivision (b) or (c), only if the exclusion or limitation relates to a condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended or received within 6 months before enrollment and the exclusion or limitation does not extend for more than 12 months after the effective date of the policy or certificate.~~

(A) ~~(b)~~ For an individual covered under a group policy or certificate covering 2 to 50 individuals, only if the exclusion or limitation relates to a condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended or received within 6 months before enrollment and the exclusion or limitation does not extend for more than 12 months after the effective date of the policy or certificate.

(B) ~~(c)~~ For an individual covered under a group policy or certificate covering more than 50 individuals, only if the exclusion or limitation relates to a condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended or received within 6 months before enrollment and the exclusion or limitation does not extend for more than 6 months after the effective date of the policy or certificate.

(2) As used in this section, "group" means a group health plan as defined in ~~section 2791(a)(1) and (2) of part C of title XXVII of the public health service act, chapter 373, 110 Stat. 1972, 42 U.S.C. 300gg-91-42~~ USC 300GG-91, and includes government plans that are not federal government plans.

(3) This section applies only to an insurer that delivers, issues for delivery, or renews in this state an expense-incurred

1 hospital, medical, or surgical policy or certificate. This section
2 does not apply to any policy or certificate that provides coverage
3 for specific diseases or accidents only, or to any hospital
4 indemnity, medicare supplement, long-term care, disability income,
5 or 1-time limited duration policy or certificate of no longer than
6 6 months.

7 ~~—— (4) The commissioner and the director of community health~~
8 ~~shall examine the issue of crediting prior continuous health care~~
9 ~~coverage to reduce the period of time imposed by preexisting~~
10 ~~condition limitations or exclusions under subsection (1)(a), (b),~~
11 ~~and (c) and shall report to the governor and the senate and the~~
12 ~~house of representatives standing committees on insurance and~~
13 ~~health policy issues by May 15, 1997. The report shall include the~~
14 ~~commissioner's and director's findings and shall propose~~
15 ~~alternative mechanisms or a combination of mechanisms to credit~~
16 ~~prior continuous health care coverage towards the period of time~~
17 ~~imposed by a preexisting condition limitation or exclusion. The~~
18 ~~report shall address at a minimum all of the following:~~

19 ~~—— (a) Cost of crediting prior continuous health care coverages.~~

20 ~~—— (b) Period of lapse or break in coverage, if any, permitted in~~
21 ~~a prior health care coverage.~~

22 ~~—— (c) Types and scope of prior health care coverages that are~~
23 ~~permitted to be credited.~~

24 ~~—— (d) Any exceptions or exclusions to crediting prior health~~
25 ~~care coverage.~~

26 ~~—— (e) Uniform method of certifying periods of prior creditable~~
27 ~~coverage.~~

1 Sec. 3503. (1) All of the provisions of this act that apply to
2 a domestic insurer authorized to issue an expense-incurred
3 hospital, medical, or surgical policy or certificate, including,
4 but not limited to, sections 223 and 7925 and chapters 34, ~~and~~ 36,
5 **AND 37A** apply to a health maintenance organization under this
6 chapter unless specifically excluded, or otherwise specifically
7 provided for in this chapter.

8 (2) Sections 408, 410, 411, 901, and 5208, chapter 77, and,
9 except as otherwise provided in subsection (1), chapter 79 do not
10 apply to a health maintenance organization.

11 Sec. 3519. (1) A health maintenance organization contract and
12 the contract's rates, including any deductibles, copayments, and
13 coinsurances, between the organization and its subscribers shall be
14 fair, sound, and reasonable in relation to the services provided,
15 and the procedures for offering and terminating contracts shall not
16 be unfairly discriminatory.

17 (2) A health maintenance organization contract and the
18 contract's rates shall not discriminate on the basis of race,
19 color, creed, national origin, residence within the approved
20 service area of the health maintenance organization, lawful
21 occupation, sex, handicap, or marital status, except that marital
22 status may be used to classify individuals or risks for the purpose
23 of insuring family units. The commissioner may approve a rate
24 differential based on sex, age, residence, disability, marital
25 status, or lawful occupation, if the differential is supported by
26 sound actuarial principles, a reasonable classification system, and
27 is related to the actual and credible loss statistics or reasonably

1 anticipated experience for new coverages. A healthy lifestyle
2 program as defined in section 3517(2) is not subject to the
3 commissioner's approval under this subsection and is not required
4 to be supported by sound actuarial principles, a reasonable
5 classification system, or be related to actual and credible loss
6 statistics or reasonably anticipated experience for new coverages.

7 (3) All health maintenance organization contracts shall
8 include, at a minimum, basic health services.

9 (4) **THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE EXTENT THAT IT**
10 **CONFLICTS WITH CHAPTER 37A.**

11 Sec. 3521. (1) The methodology used to determine prepayment
12 rates by category rates charged by the health maintenance
13 organization and any changes to either the methodology or the rates
14 shall be filed with and approved by the commissioner before
15 becoming effective.

16 (2) A health maintenance organization shall submit supporting
17 data used in the development of a prepayment rate or rating
18 methodology and all other data sufficient to establish the
19 financial soundness of the prepayment plan or rating methodology.

20 (3) The commissioner may annually require a schedule of rates
21 for all subscriber contracts and riders. All submissions shall note
22 changes of rates previously filed or approved.

23 (4) **THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE EXTENT THAT IT**
24 **CONFLICTS WITH CHAPTER 37A.**

25 Sec. 3525. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2),
26 if a health maintenance organization desires to change a contract
27 it offers to enrollees or desires to change a rate charged, a copy

1 of the proposed revised contract or rate shall be filed with the
2 commissioner and shall not take effect until 60 days after the
3 filing, unless the commissioner approves the change in writing
4 before the expiration of 60 days after the filing. If the
5 commissioner considers that the proposed revised contract or rate
6 is illegal or unreasonable in relation to the services provided,
7 the commissioner, not more than 60 days after the proposed revised
8 contract or rate is filed, shall notify the organization in
9 writing, specifying the reasons for disapproval or for approval
10 with modifications. For an approval with modifications, the notice
11 shall specify what modifications in the filing are required for
12 approval, the reasons for the modifications, and that the filing
13 becomes effective after the modifications are made and approved by
14 the commissioner. The commissioner shall schedule a hearing not
15 more than 30 days after receipt of a written request from the
16 health maintenance organization, and the revised contract or rate
17 shall not take effect until approved by the commissioner after the
18 hearing. Within 30 days after the hearing, the commissioner shall
19 notify the organization in writing of the disposition of the
20 proposed revised contract or rate, together with the commissioner's
21 findings of fact and conclusions.

22 (2) If the revised contract or rate is the result of
23 collective bargaining and affects only the members of the groups
24 engaged in the collective bargaining, subsection (1) does not apply
25 but the revised contract or rate shall be immediately filed with
26 the commissioner.

27 (3) Not less than 30 days before the effective date of a

1 proposed change in a health maintenance contract or the rate
 2 charged, the health maintenance organization shall issue to each
 3 subscriber or group of subscribers who will be affected by the
 4 proposed change a clear written statement stating the extent and
 5 nature of the proposed change. If the commissioner has approved a
 6 proposed change in a contract or rate in writing before the
 7 expiration of 60 days after the date of filing, the organization
 8 immediately shall notify each subscriber or group of subscribers
 9 who will be affected by the proposed change.

10 **(4) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE EXTENT THAT IT**
 11 **CONFLICTS WITH CHAPTER 37A.**

12 Sec. 3539. ~~(1) For an individual covered under a nongroup~~
 13 ~~contract or under a contract not covered under subsection (2), a~~
 14 ~~health maintenance organization may exclude or limit coverage for a~~
 15 ~~condition only if the exclusion or limitation relates to a~~
 16 ~~condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment~~
 17 ~~was recommended or received within 6 months before enrollment and~~
 18 ~~the exclusion or limitation does not extend for more than 6 months~~
 19 ~~after the effective date of the health maintenance contract.~~

20 **(1) (2)**—A health maintenance organization shall not exclude or
 21 limit coverage for a preexisting condition for an individual
 22 covered under a group contract.

23 ~~—(3) Except as provided in subsection (5), a health maintenance~~
 24 ~~organization that has issued a nongroup contract shall renew or~~
 25 ~~continue in force the contract at the option of the individual.~~

26 **(2) (4)**—Except as provided in subsection ~~(5)~~ **(3) AND SECTION**
 27 **3711**, a health maintenance organization that has issued a group

1 contract shall renew or continue in force the contract at the
2 option of the sponsor of the plan.

3 (3) ~~(5)~~—Guaranteed renewal is not required in cases of fraud,
4 intentional misrepresentation of material fact, lack of payment, if
5 the health maintenance organization no longer offers that
6 particular type of coverage in the market, or if the individual or
7 group moves outside the service area.

8 (4) ~~(6)~~—A health maintenance organization is not required to
9 continue a healthy lifestyle program or to continue any incentive
10 associated with a healthy lifestyle program, including, but not
11 limited to, goods, vouchers, or equipment.

12 (5) ~~(7)~~—As used in this section, "group" means a group of 2 or
13 more subscribers.

14 CHAPTER 37A

15 INDIVIDUAL HEALTH COVERAGE PLANS

16 SEC. 3751. AS USED IN THIS CHAPTER:

17 (A) "BASE PREMIUM" MEANS THE LOWEST PREMIUM CHARGED FOR A
18 RATING PERIOD UNDER A RATING SYSTEM BY A CARRIER TO INDIVIDUALS FOR
19 EACH HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IN A GEOGRAPHIC AREA.

20 (B) "CARRIER" MEANS A PERSON THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFITS,
21 COVERAGE, OR INSURANCE TO AN INDIVIDUAL IN THIS STATE. FOR THE
22 PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER, CARRIER INCLUDES A HEALTH INSURANCE
23 COMPANY AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, A NONPROFIT HEALTH
24 CARE CORPORATION, A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, OR ANY OTHER
25 PERSON PROVIDING A PLAN OF HEALTH BENEFITS, COVERAGE, OR INSURANCE
26 SUBJECT TO STATE INSURANCE REGULATION.

27 (C) "GEOGRAPHIC AREA" MEANS AN AREA IN THIS STATE THAT

1 INCLUDES NOT LESS THAN 1 ENTIRE COUNTY, ESTABLISHED BY A CARRIER
2 PURSUANT TO SECTION 3765 AND USED FOR ADJUSTING PREMIUM FOR AN
3 INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SUBJECT TO THIS CHAPTER. IN
4 ADDITION, IF THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA INCLUDES 1 ENTIRE COUNTY AND
5 ADDITIONAL COUNTIES OR PORTIONS OF COUNTIES, THE COUNTIES OR
6 PORTIONS OF COUNTIES MUST BE CONTIGUOUS WITH AT LEAST 1 OTHER
7 COUNTY OR PORTION OF ANOTHER COUNTY IN THAT GEOGRAPHIC AREA.

8 (D) "HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN" OR "PLAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL
9 EXPENSE-INCURRED HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, SURGICAL, OR DENTAL POLICY,
10 NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION CERTIFICATE, OR HEALTH
11 MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION CONTRACT. HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN DOES NOT
12 INCLUDE ACCIDENT-ONLY, CREDIT, OR DISABILITY INCOME INSURANCE;
13 LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE; COVERAGE ISSUED AS A SUPPLEMENT TO
14 LIABILITY INSURANCE; COVERAGE ONLY FOR A SPECIFIED DISEASE OR
15 ILLNESS; WORKER'S COMPENSATION OR SIMILAR INSURANCE; OR AUTOMOBILE
16 MEDICAL-PAYMENT INSURANCE.

17 (E) "INDEX RATE" MEANS THE ARITHMETIC AVERAGE DURING A RATING
18 PERIOD OF THE BASE PREMIUM AND THE HIGHEST PREMIUM CHARGED TO AN
19 INDIVIDUAL FOR EACH HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN OFFERED BY EACH CARRIER TO
20 INDIVIDUALS IN A GEOGRAPHIC AREA.

21 (F) "INDIVIDUAL" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR OR WHO
22 WOULD PAY MORE THAN 50% OF THE PREMIUM TO PARTICIPATE IN A HEALTH
23 BENEFIT PLAN THROUGH A GROUP.

24 (G) "INITIAL CONDITION" MEANS THE INITIAL HEALTH CONDITION AT
25 THE TIME OF APPLICATION OF THE APPLICANT AND EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO
26 WILL BE COVERED UNDER THE APPLICANT'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN. INITIAL
27 CONDITION ALSO MEANS THE INITIAL HEALTH CONDITION AT THE TIME OF

1 ENROLLMENT OF ANY INDIVIDUAL SUBSEQUENTLY ADDED TO THE HEALTH
2 BENEFIT PLAN.

3 (H) "MEDICAID" MEANS A PROGRAM FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
4 ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT, 42 USC 1396
5 TO 1396V.

6 (I) "MEDICARE" MEANS THE FEDERAL MEDICARE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED
7 UNDER TITLE XVIII OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT, 42 USC 1395 TO
8 1395HHH.

9 (J) "NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION" MEANS A NONPROFIT
10 HEALTH CARE CORPORATION OPERATING PURSUANT TO THE NONPROFIT HEALTH
11 CARE CORPORATION REFORM ACT, 1980 PA 350, MCL 550.1101 TO 550.1704.

12 (K) "PREMIUM" MEANS ALL MONEY PAID BY AN INDIVIDUAL AS A
13 CONDITION OF RECEIVING COVERAGE FROM A CARRIER.

14 (L) "RATING PERIOD" MEANS THE CALENDAR PERIOD FOR WHICH
15 PREMIUMS ESTABLISHED BY A CARRIER ARE ASSUMED TO BE IN EFFECT, AS
16 DETERMINED BY THE CARRIER.

17 (M) "SHORT-TERM OR 1-TIME LIMITED DURATION BENEFIT PLAN OF NO
18 LONGER THAN 6 MONTHS" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN THAT
19 MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

20 (i) IS ISSUED TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR A PERIOD OF 185 DAYS OR
21 LESS, EXCEPT THAT THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN MAY PERMIT A LIMITED
22 EXTENSION OF BENEFITS AFTER THE DATE THE PLAN ENDED SOLELY FOR
23 EXPENSES ATTRIBUTABLE TO A CONDITION FOR WHICH A COVERED PERSON
24 INCURRED EXPENSES DURING THE TERM OF THE PLAN.

25 (ii) IS NONRENEWABLE, PROVIDED THAT THE CARRIER MAY PROVIDE
26 COVERAGE FOR 1 OR MORE SUBSEQUENT PERIODS THAT SATISFY SUBPARAGRAPH
27 (i), IF THE TOTAL OF THE PERIODS OF COVERAGE DO NOT EXCEED A TOTAL

1 OF 185 DAYS OUT OF ANY 365-DAY PERIOD, PLUS ANY ADDITIONAL DAYS
2 PERMITTED BY THE PLAN FOR A CONDITION FOR WHICH A COVERED PERSON
3 INCURRED EXPENSES DURING THE TERM OF THE PLAN.

4 (iii) DOES NOT COVER ANY PREEXISTING CONDITIONS.

5 (iv) IS AVAILABLE WITH AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE, WITHOUT
6 UNDERWRITING, UPON RECEIPT BY THE CARRIER OF A COMPLETED
7 APPLICATION INDICATING ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE CARRIER'S ELIGIBILITY
8 REQUIREMENTS, EXCEPT THAT COVERAGE THAT INCLUDES OPTIONAL BENEFITS
9 MAY BE OFFERED ON A BASIS THAT DOES NOT MEET THIS REQUIREMENT.

10 SEC. 3753. THIS CHAPTER APPLIES TO ANY INDIVIDUAL HEALTH
11 BENEFIT PLAN, INCLUDING A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT PLAN, THAT IS SUBJECT
12 TO POLICY FORM OR PREMIUM APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSIONER.

13 SEC. 3755. (1) AT THE TIME OF INITIAL APPLICATION, EACH
14 INDIVIDUAL SEEKING TO BE COVERED UNDER A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SHALL
15 COMPLETE A HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE ESTABLISHED BY THE CARRIER. A
16 CARRIER, EXCEPT A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION, MAY REFUSE
17 COVERAGE TO AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IF BASED ON
18 THE RESPONSES TO THE HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE THE INDIVIDUAL DOES NOT
19 SATISFY THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED FOR COVERAGE BY THE CARRIER. IF A
20 CARRIER REFUSES COVERAGE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THIS SUBSECTION,
21 THE CARRIER SHALL PROVIDE THE INDIVIDUAL WITH A WRITTEN NOTICE OF
22 REJECTION. AN INDIVIDUAL REFUSED COVERAGE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS
23 ELIGIBLE FOR A GUARANTEED ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN FROM A
24 NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION UNDER SUBSECTION (3).

25 (2) A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION SHALL NOT REFUSE
26 COVERAGE TO AN INDIVIDUAL DUE TO ANY PAST OR CURRENT MEDICAL
27 CONDITION, HISTORY, OR TREATMENT. A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE

1 CORPORATION MAY, BASED ON THE RESPONSES TO THE HEALTH
2 QUESTIONNAIRE, MAKE AVAILABLE TO AN INDIVIDUAL COVERAGE ONLY UNDER
3 A GUARANTEED ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN UNDER SUBSECTION (3).

4 (3) A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION SHALL ESTABLISH AT
5 LEAST 4 GUARANTEED ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO
6 DO NOT QUALIFY FOR COVERAGE UNDER SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (2).

7 SEC. 3757. (1) A CARRIER MAY EXCLUDE OR LIMIT COVERAGE UNDER A
8 HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN FOR A CONDITION ONLY IF THE EXCLUSION OR
9 LIMITATION RELATES TO A CONDITION FOR WHICH MEDICAL ADVICE,
10 DIAGNOSIS, CARE, OR TREATMENT WAS RECOMMENDED OR RECEIVED WITHIN 6
11 MONTHS BEFORE ENROLLMENT AND THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION DOES NOT
12 EXTEND FOR MORE THAN 12 MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
13 POLICY.

14 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1), A CARRIER SHALL NOT
15 EXCLUDE OR LIMIT COVERAGE FOR A PREEXISTING CONDITION OR PROVIDE A
16 WAITING PERIOD IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

17 (A) THE INDIVIDUAL'S MOST RECENT HEALTH CARE COVERAGE PRIOR TO
18 APPLYING FOR COVERAGE WITH THE CARRIER WAS UNDER A GROUP HEALTH
19 PLAN.

20 (B) THE PERSON WAS CONTINUOUSLY COVERED PRIOR TO THE
21 APPLICATION FOR COVERAGE WITH THE CARRIER UNDER 1 OR MORE HEALTH
22 PLANS FOR AN AGGREGATE OF AT LEAST 18 MONTHS WITH NO BREAK IN
23 COVERAGE THAT EXCEEDED 62 DAYS.

24 (C) THE PERSON IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR GROUP COVERAGE AND IS
25 NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE OR MEDICAID.

26 (D) THE PERSON DID NOT LOSE ELIGIBILITY FOR COVERAGE FOR
27 FAILURE TO PAY ANY REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION OR FOR AN ACT TO DEFRAUD

1 ANY CARRIER.

2 (E) IF THE PERSON WAS ELIGIBLE FOR CONTINUATION OF HEALTH
3 COVERAGE FROM THAT GROUP HEALTH PLAN PURSUANT TO THE CONSOLIDATED
4 OMNIBUS BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1985, PUBLIC LAW 99-272, HE OR
5 SHE HAS ELECTED AND EXHAUSTED THE COVERAGE.

6 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "GROUP HEALTH PLAN" MEANS A GROUP
7 HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN THAT COVERS 2 OR MORE INSURED, SUBSCRIBERS,
8 MEMBERS, ENROLLEES, OR EMPLOYEES.

9 SEC. 3759. (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, A
10 CARRIER THAT HAS ISSUED A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SHALL RENEW OR
11 CONTINUE IN FORCE THE PLAN AT THE OPTION OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

12 (2) A GUARANTEED RENEWAL UNDER SUBSECTION (1) IS NOT REQUIRED
13 IN CASES OF NONPAYMENT OF PREMIUMS, FRAUD, INTENTIONAL
14 MISREPRESENTATION OF MATERIAL FACT, IF THE CARRIER NO LONGER OFFERS
15 THAT PLAN, IF THE CARRIER NO LONGER OFFERS COVERAGE IN THE
16 INDIVIDUAL MARKET, OR IF THE INDIVIDUAL MOVES OUTSIDE THE CARRIER'S
17 SERVICE AREA. GUARANTEED RENEWAL OF A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT PLAN IS
18 SUBJECT TO SECTION 3819 AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO THIS SUBSECTION.

19 (3) A CARRIER SHALL NOT DISCONTINUE OFFERING A PARTICULAR PLAN
20 IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET UNLESS THE CARRIER DOES ALL OF THE
21 FOLLOWING:

22 (A) PROVIDES NOTICE TO EACH COVERED INDIVIDUAL PROVIDED
23 COVERAGE UNDER THE PLAN OF THE DISCONTINUATION AT LEAST 90 DAYS
24 PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE DISCONTINUATION.

25 (B) OFFERS TO EACH INDIVIDUAL IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET
26 PROVIDED THIS PLAN THE OPTION TO PURCHASE ANY OTHER PLAN CURRENTLY
27 BEING OFFERED IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET.

1 (C) ACTS UNIFORMLY WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY HEALTH STATUS FACTOR
2 OF ENROLLED INDIVIDUALS OR INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR
3 COVERAGE IN MAKING THE DETERMINATION TO DISCONTINUE COVERAGE AND IN
4 OFFERING OTHER PLANS.

5 (4) A CARRIER SHALL NOT DISCONTINUE OFFERING ALL COVERAGE IN
6 THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET UNLESS THE CARRIER DOES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

7 (A) PROVIDES NOTICE TO THE COMMISSIONER AND TO EACH INDIVIDUAL
8 OF THE DISCONTINUATION AT LEAST 180 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE
9 EXPIRATION OF COVERAGE.

10 (B) DISCONTINUES ALL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS ISSUED IN THE
11 INDIVIDUAL MARKET AND DOES NOT RENEW COVERAGE UNDER SUCH PLANS.

12 (5) IF A CARRIER DISCONTINUES COVERAGE UNDER SUBSECTION (4),
13 THE CARRIER SHALL NOT PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ANY HEALTH
14 BENEFIT PLANS IN THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET DURING THE 5-YEAR PERIOD
15 BEGINNING ON THE DATE OF THE DISCONTINUATION OF THE LAST PLAN NOT
16 SO RENEWED.

17 (6) SUBSECTIONS (1) THROUGH (5) DO NOT APPLY TO A SHORT-TERM
18 OR 1-TIME LIMITED DURATION BENEFIT PLAN OF NO LONGER THAN 6 MONTHS.

19 SEC. 3763. (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ANTICIPATED LOSS
20 RATIO" MEANS THE RATIO AT THE TIME OF THE RATE FILING, OR AT A TIME
21 OF SUBSEQUENT RATE REVISIONS, OF THE EXPECTED FUTURE BENEFITS
22 DURING THE RATING PERIOD, EXCLUDING DIVIDENDS, TO THE FUTURE
23 PREMIUMS, LESS DIVIDENDS, BASED ON A CREDIBLE PREMIUM VOLUME OVER A
24 REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME WITH PROPER WEIGHT GIVEN TO TRENDS AND
25 OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS. STATISTICAL DATA RELATING TO EXPECTED
26 FUTURE BENEFITS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE COMMISSIONER UPON REQUEST
27 FROM HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS SOLD OR TO BE SOLD IN THIS STATE WHEN

1 AVAILABLE.

2 (2) THE RATES CHARGED TO INDIVIDUALS FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS
3 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSIONER AND SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT
4 UNTIL 60 DAYS AFTER THE FILING, UNLESS THE COMMISSIONER APPROVES
5 THE RATES IN WRITING BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF 60 DAYS AFTER THE
6 FILING. THE RATE FILING SHALL INCLUDE AN ACTUARIAL CERTIFICATION
7 THAT THE BENEFITS PROVIDED ARE REASONABLE IN RELATION TO THE
8 PREMIUM CHARGED AND ARE ADEQUATE, EQUITABLE, AND NOT EXCESSIVE. THE
9 RATE FILING SHALL SHOW THE ANTICIPATED LOSS RATIO OR PLAN PREMIUM.
10 EXCEPT FOR GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS, THE BENEFITS
11 PROVIDED ARE PRESUMED REASONABLE IN RELATION TO THE PREMIUMS
12 CHARGED AND THE PREMIUMS ARE PRESUMED ADEQUATE, EQUITABLE, AND NOT
13 EXCESSIVE IF THE ANTICIPATED LOSS RATIO EQUALS OR EXCEEDS 70%. FOR
14 A GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, THE BENEFITS ARE PRESUMED
15 REASONABLE IN RELATION TO THE PREMIUM CHARGED AND THE PREMIUM IS
16 PRESUMED ADEQUATE, EQUITABLE, AND NOT EXCESSIVE IF THE PREMIUM DOES
17 NOT EXCEED 150% OF THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PREMIUM ASSOCIATED WITH AN
18 INITIAL CONDITION RATING FACTOR OF 2 CHARGED BY THE 5 CARRIERS WITH
19 AT LEAST 50% OF THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET. THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PREMIUM
20 IS FOR AN EQUIVALENT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN ADJUSTED APPROPRIATELY FOR
21 THE DIFFERENCES IN ACTUARIAL VALUE OF BENEFITS, AGE, AND GEOGRAPHY.

22 (3) A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION SHALL ASSUME FULL
23 LIABILITY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR GUARANTEED-ACCESS
24 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS AND FOR CLAIM EXPENSES FOR GUARANTEED-ACCESS
25 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS UP TO 35% ABOVE THE MINIMUM LOSS RATIO FOR
26 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS THAT ARE NOT GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT
27 PLANS. THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION SHALL FILE ANNUAL

1 REPORTS WITH THE COMMISSIONER REGARDING THE PREMIUMS,
2 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, CLAIMS EXPERIENCE, AND LOSSES FOR ALL
3 GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS.

4 (4) BEGINNING 2 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
5 CHAPTER, ALL CARRIERS, INCLUDING A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE
6 CORPORATION, SHALL ASSUME FULL LIABILITY FOR ALL EXCESS LOSSES IN
7 THE GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. EXCESS LOSSES ARE ALL
8 CLAIMS LOSSES OVER 35% ABOVE THE MINIMUM LOSS RATIO FOR HEALTH
9 BENEFIT PLANS THAT ARE NOT GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS.
10 EACH CARRIER SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAY ITS PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF
11 SUCH LOSSES BASED ON EACH CARRIER'S SHARE OF THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET.
12 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET INCLUDES ALL
13 INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS EXCEPT MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT AND
14 GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS.

15 (5) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DETERMINE EACH CARRIER'S
16 PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE EXCESS LOSSES FOR THE GUARANTEED-ACCESS
17 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ISSUE ASSESSMENT
18 NOTICES TO CARRIERS FOR THEIR PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF SUCH LOSSES.
19 NO LATER THAN 90 DAYS AFTER THE ASSESSMENT NOTICES ARE ISSUED, THE
20 CARRIERS SHALL PAY THE AMOUNT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE ASSESSMENTS TO
21 THE COMMISSIONER. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DEPOSIT ASSESSMENT
22 PAYMENTS INTO AN INTEREST BEARING ESCROW ACCOUNT. WHEN ASSESSMENTS
23 HAVE BEEN COLLECTED, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND
24 ANY ACCUMULATED INTEREST TO THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION
25 TO OFFSET ALL EXCESS LOSSES IN THE GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT
26 PLANS. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL NOT ISSUE AN ASSESSMENT TO ANY
27 CARRIER UNTIL THE EXCESS LOSS EQUALS OR EXCEEDS \$10,000,000.00. THE

1 COMMISSIONER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT OF THE ACTUAL COSTS
2 OF ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION. DOCUMENTATION OF THE ACTUAL COSTS OF
3 ADMINISTRATION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY CARRIER UPON REQUEST.

4 (6) THE ACTUARIAL CERTIFICATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (2)
5 SHALL INCLUDE A DESCRIPTION OF THE GROSS PREMIUMS, THE ANTICIPATED
6 LOSS RATIOS, AND A CERTIFICATION THAT, TO THE BEST OF THE ACTUARY'S
7 KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE BENEFITS PROVIDED ARE REASONABLE IN
8 RELATION TO THE PREMIUMS CHARGED, THE PREMIUMS ARE ESTABLISHED IN
9 COMPLIANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER, AND ANY PREMIUM DIFFERENCES AMONG THE
10 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS REFLECT THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF THE HEALTH
11 BENEFIT PLAN DIFFERENCES AND NOT THE UNDERLYING EXPERIENCE OF THE
12 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. THE INFORMATION USED TO SUPPORT THE
13 CERTIFICATION SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING AND SHALL BE
14 AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST TO THE COMMISSIONER:

15 (A) THE SPECIFIC FORMULA AND ASSUMPTIONS USED IN CALCULATING
16 GROSS PREMIUMS.

17 (B) THE EXPECTED CLAIM COSTS.

18 (C) IDENTIFICATION OF MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY TABLES OR
19 EXPERIENCE STUDIES USED AND SUFFICIENT EXPLANATION FOR EVALUATION
20 OF THEIR VALIDITY, INCLUDING COPIES OF SUCH TABLES IF THEY ARE NOT
21 CURRENTLY PUBLISHED.

22 (D) THE EXPERIENCE OF THE CARRIER ON SIMILAR COVERAGES OR ON
23 THE SAME HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IF THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IS IN
24 EFFECT ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER.

25 (E) THE APPLICABILITY OF THE FILING TO IN-FORCE BUSINESS ON
26 SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS.

27 (F) LAPSE RATE EXPERIENCE.

1 (7) NO LATER THAN 4 MONTHS AFTER THE END OF A 12-MONTH RATING
2 PERIOD, A CARRIER SHALL SUBMIT INFORMATION TO THE COMMISSIONER THAT
3 SHOWS THE ACTUAL LOSS RATIO FOR THE RATING PERIOD FOR ALL HEALTH
4 BENEFIT PLANS, INCLUDING PLANS THAT HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE CLOSED TO
5 NEW APPLICANTS.

6 (8) IF THE ACTUAL LOSS RATIO FOR ALL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN A
7 LINE OF BUSINESS DOES NOT EQUAL OR EXCEED 70%, THE COMMISSIONER
8 SHALL ORDER THE CARRIER TO PAY AN AMOUNT INTO AN INTEREST BEARING
9 ESCROW ACCOUNT MAINTAINED BY THE COMMISSIONER THAT WILL RESULT IN A
10 MINIMUM LOSS RATIO FOR THE RATING PERIOD EQUAL TO 70% FOR THE LINE
11 OF BUSINESS. THE CARRIER SHALL PAY AMOUNTS DUE UNDER THIS SECTION
12 NO LATER THAN 90 DAYS AFTER THE COMMISSIONER'S ORDER. AMOUNTS PAID
13 INTO THE ESCROW ACCOUNT SHALL BE USED TO OFFSET THE AGGREGATE
14 ASSESSMENT FOR THE GUARANTEED-ACCESS HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN BY
15 REDUCING ANY ASSESSMENT AMOUNTS UNDER SUBSECTION (5). THE
16 COMMISSIONER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT OF THE ACTUAL COSTS
17 OF ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION. DOCUMENTATION OF THE ACTUAL COSTS OF
18 ADMINISTRATION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY CARRIER UPON REQUEST.
19 AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONSTITUTE LINES
20 OF BUSINESS:

21 (A) ALL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS THAT ARE MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT
22 PLANS.

23 (B) ALL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS THAT ARE GROUP CONVERSION PLANS A
24 CARRIER IS REQUIRED TO ISSUE UNDER SECTION 3612 OR SECTION 410A OF
25 THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION REFORM ACT, 1980 PA 350, MCL
26 550.1410A.

27 (C) ALL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS THAT ARE NEITHER MEDICARE

1 SUPPLEMENT NOR GROUP CONVERSION PLANS.

2 (9) FOR A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN ISSUED BY A NONPROFIT HEALTH
3 CARE CORPORATION, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY BRING AN ACTION OR APPLY
4 TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR A COURT ORDER TO ENFORCE AN ORDER UNDER
5 THIS SECTION.

6 SEC. 3765. (1) FOR ADJUSTING PREMIUMS FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS
7 SUBJECT TO THIS CHAPTER, A CARRIER MAY ESTABLISH UP TO 10
8 GEOGRAPHIC AREAS IN THIS STATE.

9 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (5), THE RATES
10 CHARGED TO INDIVIDUALS FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS MAY INCLUDE RATE
11 DIFFERENTIALS BASED ON AGE AND INITIAL CONDITION IF THE
12 DIFFERENTIALS ARE SUPPORTED BY SOUND ACTUARIAL PRINCIPLES AND A
13 REASONABLE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM AND ARE RELATED TO ACTUAL AND
14 CREDIBLE LOSS STATISTICS OR REASONABLY ANTICIPATED EXPERIENCE IN
15 THE CASE OF NEW HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. PREMIUMS RESULTING FROM THESE
16 RATE FACTORS SHALL NOT VARY FROM THE INDEX RATE FOR THAT HEALTH
17 BENEFIT PLAN BY MORE THAN 80%. RATE DIFFERENTIALS BASED ON AGE
18 SHALL NOT BE USED WITH ANY MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT PLAN.

19 (3) CARRIERS MAY USE AN APPLICATION FORM FOR A HEALTH BENEFIT
20 PLAN THAT IS DESIGNED TO ELICIT THE HEALTH HISTORY OF AN APPLICANT
21 AND EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL BE COVERED UNDER THE APPLICANT'S
22 HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN.

23 (4) CARRIERS MAY ESTABLISH UP TO 10 RATING TIERS TO REFLECT
24 RATE DIFFERENTIALS FOR INITIAL CONDITION BASED ON THE ANSWERS GIVEN
25 ON AN APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (3) IF THE DIFFERENTIALS ARE
26 SUPPORTED BY SOUND ACTUARIAL PRINCIPLES AND A REASONABLE
27 CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM AND ARE RELATED TO ACTUAL AND CREDIBLE LOSS

1 STATISTICS OR REASONABLY ANTICIPATED EXPERIENCE IN THE CASE OF NEW
2 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. THE VARIATION IN RATES RESULTING FROM INITIAL
3 CONDITION SHALL NOT EXCEED A 2-TO-1 RATIO.

4 (5) RATE DIFFERENTIALS FOR INITIAL CONDITION MAY BE USED ONLY
5 WHEN COVERAGE IS INITIALLY ISSUED AND SHALL NOT BE USED BY A
6 CARRIER AT ANY TIME AFTER ISSUE AS A RESULT OF SUBSEQUENT CHANGES
7 IN INITIAL CONDITION OF INDIVIDUALS ALREADY COVERED UNDER THE
8 HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN. A CARRIER MAY USE RATE DIFFERENTIALS BASED ON
9 INITIAL CONDITION FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS SUBSEQUENTLY ADDED TO
10 THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN ONLY AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL IS ADDED TO
11 THE PLAN. INITIAL CONDITION RATING SHALL NOT BE USED WITH ANY
12 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT PLAN.

13 (6) IN ADDITION TO THE PREMIUM ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION
14 (2), HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN OPTIONS, NUMBER OF FAMILY MEMBERS COVERED,
15 MEDICARE ELIGIBILITY, AND TOBACCO USE MAY BE USED IN ESTABLISHING
16 THE PREMIUM FOR A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN. THE MAXIMUM SURCHARGE FOR
17 TOBACCO USE SHALL NOT EXCEED 35% OF THE PREMIUM FOR A HEALTH
18 BENEFIT PLAN.

19 SEC. 3767. THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN PREMIUMS CHARGED TO AN
20 INDIVIDUAL IN A GEOGRAPHIC AREA FOR A NEW RATING PERIOD SHALL NOT
21 EXCEED THE SUM OF THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE ADJUSTMENT IN THE
22 GEOGRAPHIC AREA'S INDEX RATE FOR THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN AND ANY
23 ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 3765(2). THE ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT TO
24 SECTION 3765(2) SHALL NOT EXCEED 10% ANNUALLY AND SHALL BE ADJUSTED
25 PRO RATA FOR RATING PERIODS OF LESS THAN 1 YEAR. THIS SECTION DOES
26 NOT PROHIBIT AN ADJUSTMENT DUE TO CHANGE IN COVERAGE OR TO
27 ADJUSTMENTS UNDER SECTION 3765(6).

1 SEC. 3769. HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS THAT HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE
2 CLOSED TO NEW APPLICANTS ARE SUBJECT TO RATING LIMITS AND
3 RESTRICTIONS IN SECTIONS 3765 AND 3767.

4 SEC. 3771. (1) A CARRIER OR PRODUCER SHALL NOT, DIRECTLY OR
5 INDIRECTLY, ENGAGE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

6 (A) ENCOURAGING OR DIRECTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO REFRAIN FROM
7 FILING AN APPLICATION FOR A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN WITH THE CARRIER
8 BECAUSE OF THE INITIAL CONDITION OR CLAIMS EXPERIENCE OF THE
9 INDIVIDUAL.

10 (B) ENCOURAGING OR DIRECTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO SEEK COVERAGE
11 FROM ANOTHER CARRIER BECAUSE OF THE INITIAL CONDITION OR CLAIMS
12 EXPERIENCE OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

13 (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3), A CARRIER SHALL NOT,
14 DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ENTER INTO ANY CONTRACT, AGREEMENT, OR
15 ARRANGEMENT WITH A PRODUCER THAT PROVIDES FOR OR RESULTS IN THE
16 COMPENSATION PAID TO A PRODUCER FOR THE SALE OF A HEALTH BENEFIT
17 PLAN TO BE VARIED BECAUSE OF THE INITIAL CONDITION OR CLAIMS
18 EXPERIENCE OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

19 (3) SUBSECTION (2) DOES NOT APPLY TO A COMPENSATION
20 ARRANGEMENT THAT PROVIDES COMPENSATION TO A PRODUCER ON THE BASIS
21 OF PERCENTAGE OF PREMIUM, PROVIDED THAT THE PERCENTAGE DOES NOT
22 VARY BECAUSE OF THE INITIAL CONDITION OR CLAIMS EXPERIENCE OF THE
23 INDIVIDUAL.

24 (4) A CARRIER SHALL NOT TERMINATE, FAIL TO RENEW, OR LIMIT ITS
25 CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT OF REPRESENTATION WITH A PRODUCER FOR ANY
26 REASON RELATED TO THE INITIAL CONDITION OR CLAIMS EXPERIENCE OF THE
27 INDIVIDUAL PLACED BY THE PRODUCER WITH THE CARRIER.

1 SEC. 3773. (1) AN INDIVIDUAL ENROLLED IN A NONPROFIT HEALTH
2 CARE CORPORATION NONGROUP OR GROUP CONVERSION HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN
3 "A" THROUGH "G" ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER MAY REMAIN
4 ENROLLED IN THAT PLAN; HOWEVER, AN INDIVIDUAL DOES NOT HAVE THE
5 OPTION TO CHANGE ENROLLMENT TO ANOTHER HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN "A"
6 THROUGH "G". AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT ENROLLED IN HEALTH BENEFIT
7 PLAN "A" THROUGH "G" ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHAPTER IS NOT
8 ELIGIBLE TO ENROLL IN 1 OF THOSE PLANS.

9 (2) THE RATES CHARGED TO INDIVIDUALS IN EACH HEALTH BENEFIT
10 PLAN "A" THROUGH "G" SHALL BE DETERMINED UNDER A SYSTEM OF
11 COMMUNITY RATING AND SHALL NOT BE ADJUSTED FOR ANY OF THE RATE
12 FACTORS IN SECTION 3765. RATES SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSIONER
13 AND SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL 60 DAYS AFTER THE FILING, UNLESS
14 THE COMMISSIONER APPROVES THE RATES IN WRITING BEFORE THE
15 EXPIRATION OF 60 DAYS AFTER THE FILING. THE RATE FILING SHALL
16 INCLUDE AN ACTUARIAL CERTIFICATION THAT THE BENEFITS PROVIDED ARE
17 REASONABLE IN RELATION TO THE PREMIUMS CHARGED. THE BENEFITS
18 PROVIDED ARE PRESUMED REASONABLE IN RELATION TO THE PREMIUMS
19 CHARGED IF THE PREMIUMS FILED WITH THE COMMISSIONER ARE NOT GREATER
20 THAN THE CHANGE IN THE ANNUAL CLAIMS COST TREND FOR HEALTH BENEFIT
21 PLANS "A" THROUGH "G" PLUS 10%.

22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
23 unless Senate Bill No.____ or House Bill No. 5283(request no.
24 03042'07) of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.