COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.:1948-01Bill No.:HB 734Subject:Insurance - General; Insurance Dept.Type:OriginalDate:February 20, 2007

| Bill Summary: | Modifies the requirements for an association for purposes of group health |
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| | insurance issued to an association or trust. |

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | |
|---|---------|---------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2008 | FY 2009 | FY 2010 |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue | | | |
| Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | | |
|--|----------------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2008 | FY 2009 | FY 2010 | |
| Insurance Dedicated | \$0 to \$5,000 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| | | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds | \$0 to \$5,000 | \$0 | \$0 | |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2008 | FY 2009 | FY 2010 |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2008 | FY 2009 | FY 2010 |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE | 0 | 0 | 0 |

□ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

□ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2008 | FY 2009 | FY 2010 |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial and Professional Regulation (DIFP)** estimate approximately 0 to 100 insurers may submit amendments to their policies to comply with the legislation. Policy amendments must be submitted to the department for review along with a \$50 filing fee. One-time additional revenues to the Insurance Dedicated Fund are estimated to be \$0 to \$5,000 (100 insurers X \$50).

Additional staff and expenses are not being requested with this single proposal, but if multiple proposals pass during the legislative session which require policy form reviews, the DIFP will need to request additional staff to handle the increase in workload.

This proposal may result in an increase in total state revenue.

| FISCAL IMPACT - State Government | FY 2008 (10 Mo.) | FY 2009 | FY 2010 |
|---|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| INSURANCE DEDICATED FUND | | | |
| Income - DIFP Form filing fees | <u>\$0 to \$5,000</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON INSURANCE DEDICATED FUND | <u>\$0 to \$5,000</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government | FY 2008 (10 Mo.) | FY 2009 | FY 2010 |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, associations with at least 50 members wanting to acquire group health insurance for its members must have been organized for purposes other than obtaining insurance and have been in active existence for at least two years. This proposal removes those requirements.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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