

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered By

1 AMEND Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1298, Page 17, Section 307.010, Line 20, by  
2 inserting after all of the said section and line the following:

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4 "376.1850. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

5 (1) "Contract for health care benefits", any contract, certificate, or agreement entered into,  
6 offered or issued to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of health care  
7 services;

8 (2) "Farm bureau", a nonprofit agricultural membership organization first incorporated in  
9 this state at least one hundred years ago, or an affiliate designated by the nonprofit agricultural  
10 membership organization;

11 (3) "Health care service", the same meaning as is ascribed to such term in section 376.1350;

12 (4) "Member of a qualified membership organization", a natural person who pays periodic  
13 dues or fees, other than payments for a contract for health care benefits, for membership in a  
14 qualified membership organization, and the natural person's spouse or dependent children under the  
15 age of twenty-six;

16 (5) "Qualified membership organization", a farm bureau; or an entity with at least one  
17 hundred thousand dues paying members, that is governed by a council of its members, that has at  
18 least five hundred million dollars in assets, and that exists to serve its members beyond solely  
19 offering health coverage.

20 2. Contracts for health care benefits provided by a qualified membership organization to a  
21 natural person in accordance with this section shall not be considered insurance under the laws of  
22 this state. Contracts for health care benefits provided in accordance with this section shall be  
23 offered only to members of a qualified membership organization.

24 3. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a qualified membership  
25 organization providing a contract for health care benefits under this section shall use the services of  
26 an entity permitted to provide administration services in accordance with sections 376.1075 to  
27 376.1095, and shall agree in the contract with such entity to processes for benefit determinations and  
28 claims payment procedures comparable to those required by law for health carriers and health  
29 benefit plans, including but not limited to those required under sections 376.383, 376.690, and  
30 376.1367.

Action Taken \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

