

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Appropriations (Benacquisto) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 109 and 110 insert:

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Section 4. Subsection (2) of section 627.6515, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.6515 Out-of-state groups.-

- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this part, this part does not apply to a group health insurance policy issued or delivered outside this state under which a resident of this state is provided coverage if:
  - (a) The policy is issued to an employee group the

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composition of which is substantially as described in s. 627.653; a labor union group or association group the composition of which is substantially as described in s. 627.654; an additional group the composition of which is substantially as described in s. 627.656; a group insured under a blanket health policy when the composition of the group is substantially in compliance with s. 627.659; a group insured under a franchise health policy when the composition of the group is substantially in compliance with s. 627.663; an association group to cover persons associated in any other common group, which common group is formed primarily for purposes other than providing insurance; a group that is established primarily for the purpose of providing group insurance, provided the benefits are reasonable in relation to the premiums charged thereunder and the issuance of the group policy has resulted, or will result, in economies of administration; or a group of insurance agents of an insurer, which insurer is the policyholder;

- (b) Certificates evidencing coverage under the policy are issued to residents of this state and contain in contrasting color and not less than 10-point type the following statement: "The benefits of the policy providing your coverage are governed primarily by the law of a state other than Florida"; and
- (c) The policy provides the benefits specified in ss. 627.419, 627.42391, 627.6574, 627.6575, 627.6579, 627.6612, 627.66121, 627.66122, 627.6613, 627.667, 627.6675, 627.6691, and 627.66911, and complies with the requirements of s. 627.66996.
- (d) Applications for certificates of coverage offered to residents of this state must contain, in contrasting color and



not less than 12-point type, the following statement on the same page as the applicant's signature:

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"This policy is primarily governed by the laws of ...insert state where the master policy if filed.... As a result, all of the rating laws applicable to policies filed in this state do not apply to this coverage, which may result in increases in your premium at renewal that would not be permissible under a Florida-approved policy. Any purchase of individual health insurance should be considered carefully, as future medical conditions may make it impossible to qualify for another individual health policy. For information concerning individual health coverage under a Florida-approved policy, consult your agent or the Florida Department of Financial Services."

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This paragraph applies only to group certificates providing health insurance coverage which require individualized underwriting to determine coverage eligibility for an individual or premium rates to be charged to an individual except for the following:

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- 1. Policies issued to provide coverage to groups of persons all of whom are in the same or functionally related licensed professions, and providing coverage only to such licensed professionals, their employees, or their dependents;
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2. Policies providing coverage to small employers as defined by s. 627.6699. Such policies shall be subject to, and governed by, the provisions of s. 627.6699;

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- 3. Policies issued to a bona fide association, as defined by s. 627.6571(5), if provided that there is a person or board acting as a fiduciary for the benefit of the members, and such association is not owned, controlled by, or otherwise associated with the insurance company; or
- 4. Any accidental death, accidental death and dismemberment, accident-only, vision-only, dental-only, hospital indemnity-only, hospital accident-only, cancer, specified disease, Medicare supplement, products that supplement Medicare, long-term care, or disability income insurance, or similar supplemental plans provided under a separate policy, certificate, or contract of insurance, which cannot duplicate coverage under an underlying health plan, coinsurance, or deductibles or coverage issued as a supplement to workers' compensation or similar insurance, or automobile medical-payment insurance.

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======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 14

and insert:

compliance with this act; amending s. 627.6515, F.S.; adding a cross-reference to conform to changes made by the act; providing a directive to the