Bill No. CS for CS for CS for SB 414

hbd-032

Amendment No. ___ (for drafter's use only)

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11	Representative(s) Spratt offered the following:
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13	Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 1, line 18,
15	remove from the bill: everything after the enacting clause,
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17	and insert in lieu thereof:
18	Section 1. $\underline{(1)}$ It is the intent of the Legislature to
19	consider legislation at the 2001 Regular Session to expand the
20	eligibility of the state group health insurance program and
21	the state employees' prescription drug coverage program to
22	include small municipalities, small counties, and district
23	school boards of small counties. It is the intent of the
24	Legislature that any costs or savings to the state group
25	health insurance program or the state employees' prescription
26	drug coverage program resulting from such expansion shall be
27	passed on to the local government participants and their
28	employees.
29	(2) The Department of Management Services shall
30 31	contract with a third party to conduct an actuarial study to determine the cost of allowing small counties, small

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municipalities, or eligible district school boards to
participate in the state group health insurance program and
the state employees' prescription drug program offering such
coverage to officers, employees, dependents, and retirees of
such entities. Such costs shall be delineated based on the
impact to the state, state officers and employees, and local
government employers and their employees. The department
shall issue its report to the Governor, the President of the
Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
December 1, 2000.
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- (3) For purposes of conducting the actuarial study, criteria to be considered for eligibility to enroll include, but are not limited to:
- (a) A minimum enrollment or contractual period of 3 years.
- (b) A requirement that written notice to withdraw from the program must be given at least 12 months prior to the termination date.
- (4) The Department of Management Services shall request from the Internal Revenue Service, by October 1, 2000, a written determination letter and a favorable private letter ruling, stating that the State Group Self-Insurance Program is a facially qualified plan. The department shall notify the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives within 30 days after the receipt of the favorable or unfavorable letters.
- (5) For the purposes of this section "small county" means any county that has a population of 100,000 or less according to the most recent decennial census and "small city" means any incorporated municipality that has a population of 12,500 or less according to the most recent decennial census.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
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    And the title is amended as follows:
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           On page 1, lines 2 through 15,
    remove from the title of the bill: all of said lines,
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    and insert in lieu thereof:
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           An act relating to the state group health
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           insurance program and the state employees'
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           prescription drug program; providing
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           legislative intent; authorizing the Department
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           of Management Services to contract for an
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           actuarial study for certain purposes; providing
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           criteria; requiring the department to request a
           private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue
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           Service; providing definitions; providing an
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           effective date.
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