
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 431:2-201.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
2 is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
3 "(c) All group health issuers shall offer all small group
4 health plans to all small employers whose employees live, work,
5 or reside in the group health issuer's service areas; provided
6 that the commissioner may exempt a group health issuer if the
7 commissioner determines that the group health issuer does not
8 have the capacity to deliver services adequately to enrollees of
9 additional groups given its obligation to existing employer
10 groups[-]; and provided further that the commissioner may exempt
11 from this subsection group health plans offered to small
12 employers that employ only one employee, if the group health
13 insurer offers the small employer groups at least one small
14 group health plan that meets the requirements of chapter 393,
15 and upon the determination by the commissioner that the group
16 health insurer has the capacity to adequately deliver services



1 to enrollees of the additional groups subject to its obligations
2 to existing employer groups."

3 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



Report Title:

Health Insurance; Small Insurers

Description:

Allows the commissioner to exempt a small insurer that offers group health plans to small employers with only one employee, subject to the commissioner's determination that the small insurer is able to do so. (CD1)

