

HB 1827 -- GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE

For health insurance plans issued to an association covering both small and large employers, this bill allows the difference in premium rates charged between similar classes of business to exceed 20% if the Director of the Department of Insurance determines it will be in the public's interest. The director may also approve additional classes of business if the plan is underwritten and rated as a single employer, has a uniform health plan design, guarantees issuance to all members, and complies with all other federal and state insurance requirements. The bill also reduces the membership requirement for policies issued to associations from 100 to 50 members.