

SHB 2942 - H AMD 914

By Representative Hinkle

OUT OF ORDER 2/13/2006

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause, and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. Sec.1.

4 (1) The office of the insurance commissioner shall develop a
5 definition of "local market" for the purpose of determining the
6 share of a local market that a health carrier controls. In
7 developing the definition, the commissioner shall consider the
8 carrier's local market share of persons covered under any
9 agreement, plan, or policy providing direct or indirect
10 reimbursement of health care service.

11 (2)The office of the insurance commissioner shall also apply
12 the definition of a "local market" to the state of Washington and
13 determine the share of each local market controlled by each health
14 carrier, and the uniform medical plan administered by the state
15 health care authority.

16 (3) The office of the insurance commissioner shall a report to
17 the appropriate committees of the legislature stating it's findings
18 under this act no later than December 1, 2006."

19 Correct the Title.

EFFECT: Provides for a study of local health markets and
health carriers share of the market.