

SHB 3015 - H AMD 1234

By Representatives Cody, Hinkle

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1 On page 10, after line 22, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 18.** Beginning December 1, 2010, the office of
3 the insurance commissioner shall prepare an annual report to the
4 legislature describing the activities of the compact and its impact on
5 expanding the availability of small group health care coverage in the
6 state of Washington. The initial report must include the names of the
7 states contacted to participate in the compact, the states actively
8 pursuing participation, the states that contacted Washington with an
9 interest in participating in the compact but were denied participation
10 by the commissioner and the reasons for the denial, any barriers to
11 participation identified by interested states, and recommendations to
12 improve the compact process to encourage more states' participation.
13 Beginning December 1, 2011, the annual report must include the number
14 of participating states, the number of new health plans and insurers
15 available to small employers throughout the state, states that
16 contacted Washington with interest in participating in the compact but
17 were denied participation by the commissioner and the reasons for the
18 denial, the average premium charged to small employers by insurers in
19 participating states, the number of enrollees enrolled in plans sold by
20 a participating state, the number of enrollees living in other states
21 purchasing policies from Washington insurers, the number and type of
22 consumer complaints received from those participating in the compact,
23 including those received against Washington insurers providing coverage
24 in other states, and any recommendations for improvements to the
25 compact operations or structure that require legislative authority to
26 implement."

1 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
2 internal references accordingly.

3 On page 10, line 23, after "through" strike "17" and insert "18"

EFFECT: Requires the insurance commissioner to produce an annual report to the legislature describing the activities of the compact and its impact on expanding the availability of small group health care coverage in the state of Washington.

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