
HOUSE BILL 3173

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By Representatives Campbell, Flannigan, Chase, and Santos

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a commission on health care insurance
2 reform; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1)(a) A commission on health care insurance
5 reform is established, with members as provided in this subsection.

6 (i) The president of the senate shall appoint one member from each
7 of the two largest caucuses of the senate.

8 (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint
9 one member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of
10 representatives.

11 (iii) The president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
12 representatives jointly shall appoint eight members representing
13 business, labor, insurance carriers, and consumers.

14 (iv) The insurance commissioner shall serve as the chair of the
15 task force, and will be a nonvoting member, except in the case of a tie
16 vote.

17 (b) The insurance commissioner shall convene the initial meeting of
18 the commission on health care insurance reform.

1 (2) The commission on health care insurance reform shall review the
2 following issues:

- 3 (a) The individual health care market;
- 4 (b) The small group market;
- 5 (c) The association health plan market;
- 6 (d) Mandated benefits;
- 7 (e) Rating rules;
- 8 (f) Antidiscrimination provisions; and
- 9 (g) Any other aspect of health insurance the commission on health
10 care insurance reform deems appropriate.

11 (3) The commission on health care insurance reform shall report its
12 findings, recommendations, and legislation based upon its
13 recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of the
14 legislature by December 15, 2010.

15 (4) The senate and house of representatives shall approve or reject
16 the legislation containing the commission recommendations, without
17 amendment, by April 15, 2011.

18 (5) This section expires June 30, 2011.

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