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CHAPTER 229

HOUSE BILL 2698

AN ACT

CHANGING THE DESIGNATION OF TITLE 20, CHAPTER 13, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, TO "SPECIAL HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS"; CHANGING THE DESIGNATION OF TITLE 20, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, TO "ACCOUNTABLE HEALTH PLANS"; AMENDING TITLE 20, CHAPTER 13, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING ARTICLE 2; RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Heading changes
3 A. The chapter heading of title 20, chapter 13, Arizona Revised
4 Statutes, is changed from "ACCOUNTABLE HEALTH PLANS" to "SPECIAL HEALTH
5 INSURANCE PLANS".
6 B. The article heading of title 20, chapter 13, article 1, Arizona
7 Revised Statutes, is changed from "GENERAL PROVISIONS" to "ACCOUNTABLE HEALTH
8 PLANS".
9 Sec. 2. Title 20, chapter 13, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by
10 adding article 2, to read:
11 ARTICLE 2. SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS
12 20-2341. Small business health insurance plans; mandatory
13 coverage exemption; definitions
14 A. A POLICY, SUBSCRIPTION CONTRACT, CONTRACT, PLAN OR EVIDENCE OF
15 COVERAGE ISSUED TO A SMALL BUSINESS BY A HEALTH CARE INSURER IS NOT SUBJECT
16 TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
17 1. SECTION 20-461, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 17 AND SUBSECTION B.
18 2. SECTION 20-826, SUBSECTION C, PARAGRAPH 1.
19 3. SECTION 20-826, SUBSECTIONS F, J, K, U, V, W, X AND Y.
20 4. SECTIONS 20-841, 20-841.01, 20-841.02, 20-841.03, 20-841.04,
21 20-841.06, 20-841.07 AND 20-841.08.
22 5. SECTION 20-841.05, SUBSECTIONS B AND E.
23 6. SECTION 20-1057, SUBSECTIONS C, K, L, Y, Z, AA AND BB.
24 7. SECTIONS 20-1057.01, 20-1057.03, 20-1057.04, 20-1057.05 AND
25 20-1057.08.
26 8. SECTION 20-1057.02, SUBSECTION B.
27 9. SECTION 20-1342, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 8, SUBDIVISION (a).
28 10. SECTION 20-1342, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPHS 11 AND 12.
29 11. SECTION 20-1342, SUBSECTIONS H, I, J AND K.
30 12. SECTION 20-1342.01.
31 13. SECTIONS 20-1376, 20-1376.01, 20-1376.02, 20-1376.03 AND
32 20-1376.04.
33 14. SECTION 20-1402, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 4, SUBDIVISION (a).
34 15. SECTION 20-1402, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPHS 7 AND 8.
35 16. SECTION 20-1402, SUBSECTIONS H, I, J, K AND L.
36 17. SECTION 20-1404, SUBSECTION F, PARAGRAPH 1.
37 18. SECTION 20-1404, SUBSECTIONS I, Q, R, S, T AND U.
38 19. SECTION 20-1406.
39 20. SECTIONS 20-1406.01, 20-1406.02, 20-1406.03 AND 20-1406.04.
40 21. SECTION 20-1407.
41 22. SECTION 20-2321.
42 23. SECTION 20-2327.
43 24. SECTION 20-2329.

1 B. SECTION 20-2304, SUBSECTION B DOES NOT APPLY TO A POLICY,
2 SUBSCRIPTION CONTRACT, CONTRACT, PLAN OR EVIDENCE OF COVERAGE ISSUED TO A
3 SMALL BUSINESS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION.

4 C. IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

5 1. "HEALTH CARE INSURER" MEANS A DISABILITY INSURER, GROUP DISABILITY
6 INSURER, BLANKET DISABILITY INSURER, HEALTH CARE SERVICES ORGANIZATION,
7 HOSPITAL SERVICE CORPORATION, MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATION OR HOSPITAL AND
8 MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATION.

9 2. "SMALL BUSINESS" MEANS A BUSINESS THAT EMPLOYED AT LEAST TWO BUT
10 NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE PERSONS AT ANY TIME DURING THE MOST RECENT CALENDAR
11 YEAR AND THAT HAS BEEN UNINSURED FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 26, 2006.

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