

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 816

BY REPRESENTATIVE TALBOT

INSURANCE/HEALTH: Provide relative to certificates of creditable coverage

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1062(D)(1)(introductory paragraph), relative to certificates
3 of coverage provided by health insurance issuers; to provide that such certificates
4 shall only be issued upon request; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 22:1062(D)(1)(introductory paragraph) is hereby amended and
7 reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1062. Increased portability through limitation on preexisting condition exclusions

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10 D.(1) A group health plan, and a health insurance issuer offering group
11 health insurance coverage, shall provide the certification of the period of creditable
12 coverage when such certification is requested by an individual who ceases to be
13 covered under the issuer's policy or plan:

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15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
18 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
19 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that certificates of coverage provided by health insurance issuers shall only be issued upon request.

Present law requires a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer offering group health coverage, provide certification of the period of creditable coverage when an individual ceases to be covered under the plan.

Proposed law changes present law by providing that the certification of creditable coverage will be issued only when it is requested by an individual who ceases to be covered under the issuer's policy.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 22:1062(D)(1)(intro. para.))