DIGEST

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Thibaut HB No. 286

Abstract: Requires prior notice of conversion option in individual life insurance policies.

<u>Present law</u> lists standard provisions to be contained in individual life insurance policies.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a provision requiring that the insurer notify the policyholder of his option to convert his policy from term life insurance to permanent life insurance at least 31 days prior to the expiration of the conversion option, if such an option is applicable. Such notice shall be a separate notice or contained in either a premium notice or an annual premium summary.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that an insurer's practice of mailing the required notice to the policyholder at the policyholder's address shall be sufficient to prove that the required notice was provided.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that it does not apply to a policyholder covered under a child term rider.

(Adds R.S. 22:931(A)(12))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Insurance to the original bill.

- 1. Provided that an insurer's business practice of mailing the required notice to the policyholder at the address provided by the policyholder will be sufficient to prove the required notice given.
- 2. Provided that the notice requirement does not apply to a policyholder covered under a child term rider.