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HOUSE BILL NO. 407

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BY REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

INSURERS/AGENTS: Provides for producer fees for individual and group health insurance policies

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 22:855(B)(1) and 1568(B), relative to producer compensation; 3 to authorize agency fees on individual and group health insurance policies and 4 supplemental benefit insurance policies; to provide for commissions and other forms 5 of compensation; and to provide for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 22:855(B)(1) and 1568(B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read 8 as follows: 9 §855. Quoted premium shall include all charges; dollar amount required 10 11 B.(1) No insurer or its officer, employee, producer or other representative 12 shall charge or receive any fee, compensation, or consideration for insurance which 13 is not included in the premium quoted to the insured and the premium specified in 14 the policy delivered to the insured, except for the premium tax on a surplus lines 15 policy which shall be separately stated, and except for reimbursement for expenses 16 due the producer, and except for an agency fee, if any, as authorized hereunder for 17 all lines of insurance including but not limited to property insurance, casualty 18 insurance, individual and group health insurance, and supplemental benefit insurance 19 coverages. 20

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\$1568. Producer compensation for sales of health and welfare plans

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B. In addition to a commission for a individual and group health insurance

product products, a health insurance producer may negotiate a charge, fee, or any

other form of compensation directly with the insured, plan sponsor or employer

group as authorized by R.S. 22:855(B).

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## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes agency fees on individual health and accident insurance policies.

<u>Present law</u> allows health insurance producers to negotiate charges, fees, and any other form of compensation directly with the plan sponsor or employer group for group health and accident insurance policies.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and additionally allows health insurance producers to negotiate charges, fees, and any other form of compensation directly with the insured for an individual health and accident policy.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows producers to negotiate charges, fees, and any other form of compensation directly with the insured for supplemental benefit insurance coverages.

(Amends R.S. 22:855(B)(1) and 1568(B))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Insurance</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Allow producers to negotiate an agency fee for supplemental benefit insurance coverages.