

BY: Conference Committee

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 649

(Third Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in line 13, after "date;" insert "requiring that a carrier renew the health benefit plan of certain small employers that satisfied certain criteria on a certain date;".

On page 8, after line 8, insert:

"SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That a carrier shall, in accordance with § 15-1212 of the Insurance Article, renew the health benefit plan of a small employer that has coverage under Title 15, Subtitle 12 of the Insurance Article on May 31, 2000, for as long as the small employer meets the definition of a small employer in effect on the date the small employer applied for the coverage."

and in line 9, strike "3." and substitute "4.".