

SENATE BILL No. 404

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 4-12-4.5.

Synopsis: Employee health coverage. Requires the budget agency to establish and implement a program through which certain private employers may provide health coverage for the private employers' employees.

Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 13, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 4-12-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2005]:

4 **Chapter 4.5. Private Employer Health Insurance Program**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "budget agency" refers to the**
6 **budget agency created by IC 4-12-1-3(a).**

7 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "budget committee" refers to the**
8 **budget committee established by IC 4-12-1-3(b).**

9 **Sec. 3. The budget agency shall, not later than July 1, 2006,**
10 **establish and implement a program through which a private**
11 **employer:**

- 12 (1) **with less than one hundred (100) employees; or**
- 13 (2) **established in Indiana within the twelve (12) months**
14 **immediately preceding the date the private employer applies**
15 **for participation in the program;**

16 **may provide coverage for health care services (as defined in**
17 **IC 27-8-11-1) for the employer's employees.**



1 **Sec. 4. The program established under section 3 of this chapter**
 2 **may provide for the coverage through a group:**
 3 **(1) policy of accident and sickness insurance (as defined in**
 4 **IC 27-8-5-1);**
 5 **(2) contract with a health maintenance organization (as**
 6 **defined in IC 27-13-1-19); or**
 7 **(3) self-insurance program that meets solvency, coverage, and**
 8 **any other appropriate requirements that apply to the**
 9 **self-insurance program established to provide health coverage**
 10 **for state employees under IC 5-10-8-7(b).**
 11 **Sec. 5. (a) The budget agency shall, not later than December 31,**
 12 **2005, and June 30, 2006, report to the budget committee**
 13 **concerning the status and structure of the program established**
 14 **under section 3 of this chapter.**
 15 **(b) This section expires July 1, 2006.**

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