

1-1 By: Creighton, Campbell S.B. No. 1406
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2017; March 16, 2017, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
1-4 April 10, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
1-5 Nays 0; April 10, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
Hancock	X			
Creighton	X			
Campbell	X			
Estes	X			
Nichols	X			
Schwertner	X			
Taylor of Galveston	X			
Whitmire	X			
Zaffirini	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the authority of the commissioner of insurance to
1-20 request a state innovation waiver for certain small group health
1-21 benefit plans of certain federal actuarial value and level of
1-22 coverage requirements.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 1501, Insurance Code, is
1-25 amended by adding Section 1501.2561 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 1501.2561. WAIVER OF CERTAIN FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.

1-27 The commissioner may apply to and negotiate with the United States
1-28 secretary of health and human services to obtain a waiver under 42
1-29 U.S.C. Section 18052 for small employer health benefit plans of the
1-30 actuarial value requirements and related levels of health plan
1-31 coverage requirements imposed under 42 U.S.C. Section 18022(d)(3).

1-32 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-33 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-34 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-35 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-36 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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