

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1796 - HB 1482

March 5, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the amount of time for which a group insurance policy will continue after termination from the fractional month plus three additional months to the fractional month plus six months. Increases the amount of time for which a group insurance policy will continue after termination due to death of a spouse or divorce from the fractional month plus 15 additional months to the fractional month plus 18 additional months.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 3-2-111): Such legislation would not result in a significant increase in the cost of health insurance premiums.

Assumptions:

- The Department of Commerce and Insurance will not incur a significant increase in state expenditures to enforce the legislation through the investigation of complaints. Any increase will be absorbed within existing resources.
- The individual taking advantage of the additional months of insurance coverage is required to pay the full premium prior to the month of coverage.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director