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HEALTH/ACC INSURANCE

REF NO IMPACT See Note Provides relative to conversion requirements for health insurers. (gov sig)

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Under present law, a mutual insurer seeking to reorganize shall submit a proposed plan of reorganization with certain required information to the commissioner of insurance. If the mutual insurer transacts health insurance, proposed law requires disclosure if the reorganization plan is being pursued in conjunction with a proposed acquisition. Under present law, the commissioner must hold a public hearing regarding the reorganization, and conduct certain analyses at the mutual's expense. If the reorganization includes an acquisition, proposed law requires the commissioner to conduct additional financial and market analysis reviews, published on the department's website before the public hearing and mutual's website along with notice of the public hearing. Proposed law prohibits any special ballot or special proxy to be distributed to qualified voters before the public hearing. Proposed law requires the reorganizing mutual to obtain prior approval from the department of any advertising in public media or written communication to qualified voters and requires the department to ensure the information is not false, deceptive, or misleading. Proposed law excludes mutual with less than 10,000 policies.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law requires the Commissioner of Insurance/LA Department of Insurance (LDI) to conduct additional financial and market analysis reviews and publish the reviews on the department's website. Also, the proposed law requires the mutual seeking reorganization to receive approval from LDI before any public advertising and sending any unsolicited written communication to qualified voters of said mutual.

Existing law authorizes the Commissioner to recoup any reasonably necessary expenses to assist in his examination of reorganization plans. LDI collects an annual \$1,000 regulation fee from all insurers to cover the cost of financial analysis. Market analysis costs are billed directly to companies for reimbursement. Also, LDI reports that it is capable of handling any workload resulting from publishing analysis reviews on its website and approving advertising and written communications with its existing budgetary and personnel resources.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

<u>Senate</u>	Dual Referral Rules	<u>House</u>	An MI I	
13.5.1 >	= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}	6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	Alan M. Boderger	
13.5.2 >	= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase	Alan M. Boxberger	
Change {S & H}		or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Legislative Fiscal Officer	