

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 325

LCO No. **1987**

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

AN ACT CONCERNING ASSOCIATION HEALTH PLANS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) For the purposes of this
 section:
- (1) "Association health plan" means a fully insured group health
 insurance policy that is (A) sponsored by a sponsoring association, and
 (B) offered or sold to the employer members of the sponsoring
 association to provide health benefits as permitted under the Employee
 Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time;
- 8 (2) "Employer" means (A) a sole proprietorship in this state, and (B) 9 an individual or entity doing business in this state that employs at least 10 one individual in this state; and

(3) "Sponsoring association" means a group comprised of one or more
employer members that provides an association health plan to its
employer members.

14 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes and to the

15 extent permitted by federal law, a sponsoring association may provide

16 coverage under an association health plan to an employer member of

17 the sponsoring association.

(c) The Insurance Commissioner shall adopt regulations, in
accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to
carry out the purposes of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2020	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize association health plans in this state to the maximum extent permitted under federal law.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]