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HOUSE BILL 10-1242

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A UNIFORM APPLICATION**
102 **FORM FOR INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS BY THE**
103 **COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

The bill requires the commissioner of insurance (commissioner) to implement a uniform application form for individual sickness and accident health benefit plans. The bill requires the commissioner to take recommendations from members of the insurance industry regarding the

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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form and content of the uniform application form and to promulgate rules to require its exclusive use by the industry after January 1, 2012.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** 10-16-107.2 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
3 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

4 **10-16-107.2. Filing of health policies - rules.** (2) (c) (I) THE
5 COMMISSIONER SHALL IMPLEMENT A UNIFORM APPLICATION FORM FOR
6 INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS AND, ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1,
7 2012, SHALL REQUIRE ALL INDIVIDUAL SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT INSURERS,
8 HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, NONPROFIT HOSPITAL AND
9 SERVICE CORPORATIONS, HEALTH INSURANCE PRODUCERS AND PRODUCER
10 ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHER ENTITIES PROVIDING INDIVIDUAL HEALTH
11 CARE COVERAGE AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSIONER TO CONDUCT
12 BUSINESS IN THIS STATE TO EXCLUSIVELY USE THE UNIFORM APPLICATION
13 FORM FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN THIS STATE.

14 (II) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS
15 REGARDING THE UNIFORM APPLICATION FORM AND CONTENT OF THE
16 APPLICATION THAT ARE SUBMITTED TO THE DIVISION BY MEMBERS OF THE
17 INSURANCE INDUSTRY ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2011.

18 (III) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO
19 IMPLEMENT THE UNIFORM APPLICATION FORM ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER
20 1, 2011.

21 (IV) ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012, ALL INDIVIDUAL SICKNESS
22 AND ACCIDENT INSURERS, HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS,
23 NONPROFIT HOSPITAL AND SERVICE CORPORATIONS, HEALTH INSURANCE
24 PRODUCERS AND PRODUCER ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHER ENTITIES THAT
25 ISSUE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS SHALL USE THE UNIFORM

1 APPLICATION FORM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL'S COVERAGE.

2 **SECTION 2. Specified effective date.** This act shall take effect
3 July 1, 2010.

4 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
5 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
6 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.