

**UPDATED SUMMARY
HOUSE BILL 16-1336**

Second Regular Session - Seventieth Colorado General Assembly

This summary applies to the reengrossed version of this bill as introduced in the second house. It does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. This summary reflects only the main points of the legislation.

Under current law, health insurers are permitted to consider the geographic location of the policyholder when establishing health insurance rates for individual and group insurance plans.

The bill directs the commissioner of insurance to study the impacts and viability of creating a single geographic rating area, consisting of the entire state, for purposes of determining premium rates for individual health benefit plans. *The commissioner is to include in the study an examination of factors that affect differentiations in premium rates, including differing health care costs throughout various geographic areas of the state. By August 1, 2016, the commissioner is to report and present the findings and recommendations to the joint budget committee of the general assembly and send the report to the health committees of the general assembly.*

Italicized words indicate new material added to the original summary; dashes through words indicate deletions from the original summary.
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