4290--A

2013-2014 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 19, 2013

Introduced by Sen. RANZENHOFER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Insurance -- recommitted to the Committee on Insurance in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to providing written notice of premium rate changes not less than sixty days prior to the effective date of such rate changes

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Paragraph 4 of subsection (p) of section 3221 of the insurance law, as added by chapter 661 of the laws of 1997, is amended to read as follows:

(4) At the time of coverage renewal, an insurer may modify the health insurance coverage for a group or blanket policy offered to a large or small group policyholder so long as such modification is consistent with this chapter and effective on a uniform basis among all small group policyholders with that policy form; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE INSURER SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO ALL POLICYHOLDERS TO WHICH THE POLICY SHALL BE OFFERED OF ANY CHANGE IN PREMIUM RATES NOT LESS THAN SIXTY, BUT NOT MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY, DAYS PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE

DATE OF SUCH RATES. 12

1

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

13 S 2. This act shall take effect the first of January next succeeding 14 the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

LBD00224-02-4