

BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center
78R8164 T

H.B. 1797
By: Farabee (Averitt)
State Affairs
5/21/2003
Engrossed

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, state law requires an insurer offering a group insurance policy to provide the policyholder a certificate of insurance for delivery to each employee or insured member. The electronic delivery of these certificates may enable essential insurance coverage information to be provided in a more efficient manner and may reduce administrative expenses. H.B. 1797 authorizes the electronic delivery of a certificate of insurance for a group insurance policy by agreement between the insurer and the policyholder.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1(c), Article 3.51-6, Insurance Code, to authorize the certificate of insurance to be delivered electronically, by agreement between the insurer and the policyholder.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.