

1-1 By: Farabee (Senate Sponsor - Averitt) H.B. No. 1797
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 7, 2003;
1-3 May 9, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 23, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to group and blanket accident and health insurance.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Section 1(c), Article 3.51-6, Insurance Code, is
1-11 amended to read as follows:

1-12 (c) An insurer issuing a group policy under this article
1-13 shall furnish to the policyholder for delivery to each employee or
1-14 member of the insured group a certificate of insurance which shall
1-15 contain a statement, in summary form, of the essential features of
1-16 the insurance coverage of such employee or member and to whom
1-17 benefits are payable. If dependents are included in the coverage,
1-18 only one certificate need be issued for each family unit. By
1-19 agreement between the insurer and the policyholder, the certificate
1-20 of insurance may be delivered electronically.

1-21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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