

1-1 By: Creighton S.B. No. 979  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 5, 2015; March 10, 2015, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce;  
 1-4 March 31, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,  
 1-5 Nays 0; March 31, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7	X			
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1-9			X	
1-10			X	
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			
1-16	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to individual indemnity health insurance.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Section 1201.104(a), Insurance Code, is amended  
 1-22 to read as follows:

1-23 (a) For individual accident and health insurance policies,  
 1-24 the commissioner shall adopt rules establishing minimum standards  
 1-25 for benefits under each of the following categories of coverage:

- 1-26 (1) basic hospital expense;
- 1-27 (2) basic medical-surgical expense;
- 1-28 (3) hospital [~~confinement~~] indemnity or other fixed  
 1-29 indemnity;
- 1-30 (4) major medical expense;
- 1-31 (5) disability income protection;
- 1-32 (6) accident only;
- 1-33 (7) specified disease;
- 1-34 (8) specified accident; and
- 1-35 (9) limited benefit.

1-36 SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2016, the commissioner  
 1-37 of insurance shall adopt any rules necessary to implement Section  
 1-38 1201.104, Insurance Code, as amended by this Act.

1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-43 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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