

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An  
2 act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and  
3 consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of  
4 insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and  
5 protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds  
6 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and  
7 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and  
8 supervision of insurance carried by such companies,  
9 associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by  
10 the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and  
11 repealing existing laws," in health and accident insurance,  
12 providing for Healthy Living Committee discount.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. The act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known  
16 as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, is amended by adding a  
17 section to read:

18 Section 635.6. Healthy Living Committee Discount.--(a) An  
19 employer purchasing a health insurance policy may apply to the  
20 Insurance Department for certification of any established  
21 Healthy Living Committee in its workplace developed for the  
22 purpose of helping employees live longer, healthier lives by  
23 promoting health and wellness among employees. The Insurance

Department shall determine the qualifications for certification of a Healthy Living Committee.

(b) Upon the renewal of an employer's health insurance policy next following receipt of Insurance Department certification, the employer shall receive a five per centum (5%) discount in the rate or rates applicable to the policy for a period of one year. The employer shall be entitled to the five per centum (5%) discount for a total of five years if the employer, by affidavit, provides annual verification to the department and to the insurer that the Healthy Living Committee continues to operate and meet the certification requirements.

(c) As used in this section:

(1) "Health insurance policy" means any group health insurance policy, subscriber contract, certificate or plan that provides medical or health care coverage by any health care facility or licensed health care provider which is offered by or is governed under this act or any of the following:

(i) Article XXIV of this act.

(ii) The act of December 29, 1972 (P.L.1701, No.364), known as the "Health Maintenance Organization Act."

(iii) The act of May 18, 1976 (P.L.123, No.54), known as the "Individual Accident and Sickness Insurance Minimum Standards Act."

(iv) A nonprofit corporation subject to 40 Pa.C.S. Chs. 61 (relating to hospital plan corporations) and 63 (relating to professional health services plan corporations).

(2) The term "insurer" means any entity that issues a group health insurance policy, contract or plan described under clause (1) of this subsection.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.