## FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 464**

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 376, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to health care benefits provided by certain organizations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 376, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 376.1850, to read as follows:

376.1850. 1. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:

- 2 (1) "Contract for health care benefits", any contract, certificate, or agreement 3 entered into, offered, or issued to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any 4 of the costs of health care services;
  - (2) "Farm bureau", a nonprofit agricultural membership organization first incorporated in this state at least one hundred years ago, or an affiliate designated by the nonprofit agricultural membership organization;
  - (3) "Health care service", the same meaning as is ascribed to such term in section 376.1350;
- 10 (4) "Member of a farm bureau", a natural person who pays periodic dues or 11 fees, other than payments for a contract for health care benefits, for membership in a 12 farm bureau, and the natural person's spouse or dependent children under twenty-six 13 years of age.
- 2. Contracts for health care benefits provided by a farm bureau to a natural person in accordance with this section shall not be considered insurance under the laws of this state. Contracts for health care benefits provided in accordance with this section shall be offered only to members of a farm bureau.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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- 3. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a farm bureau providing a contract for health care benefits under this section shall use the services of an entity permitted to provide administration services under sections 376.1075 to 376.1095, and shall agree in the contract with such entity to processes for benefit determinations and claims payment procedures comparable to those required by law for health carriers and health benefit plans, including, but not limited to, those required under sections 376.383, 376.690, and 376.1367.
  - 4. The risk under contracts provided in accordance with this section may be reinsured in accordance with section 375.246.
  - 5. Contracts for health care benefits under this section shall include the following written disclaimer on the contract and on all related applications and renewal forms:

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This contract is not health insurance and is not subject to laws and regulations relating to insurance. This contract is not covered by the Missouri Insurance Guaranty Association.

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