

PEHP RISK POOL AMENDMENTS

2006 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: David Clark

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program Act by amending provisions related to the establishment of certain risk pools.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

► requires the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program (PEHP) to include employees of higher education, public education, and employees of an independent entity in the state employee's risk pool.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

49-20-202, as renumbered and amended by Chapter 250, Laws of Utah 2002

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **49-20-202** is amended to read:

49-20-202. Establishment of separate risk pools.

(1) The program shall establish [~~separate~~] the following risk pools [~~for~~]:



- 28 (a) [~~state~~] one for employees[; and] of:
- 29 (i) the state;
- 30 (ii) the state system of higher education designated under Section 53B-1-102;
- 31 (iii) the state's system of public education under Title 53A, State System of Public
- 32 Education; and
- 33 (iv) independent entities as defined in Section 63E-1-102; and
- 34 (b) one for the Utah Children's Health Insurance Program.
- 35 (2) The program shall create risk pools for other covered employers separate from
- 36 those created in Subsection (1) as determined by the program.

Legislative Review Note
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Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

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State Impact

No fiscal impact. This bill is expected to be cost-neutral to the State. The groups who join the State risk pool may experience some savings in cost for health insurance coverage; these savings will vary based on difference in health plan design, geographic ability to utilize PEHP's lower-cost networks, and demographic differences between the current group pool and the State pool.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.