

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE TIMOTHY J. TEMPLE COMMISSIONER

June 5, 2024

The Honorable Cameron Henry President of the Senate P.O. Box 94183 Baton Rouge, LA 70804 Via email apa.senatepresident@legis.la.gov

The Honorable Phillip R. DeVillier Speaker of the House P.O. Box 94062 Baton Rouge, LA 70804 Via email apa.housespeaker@legis.la.gov

The Honorable Kirk Talbot Senate Committee on Insurance P.O. Box 94183 Baton Rouge, LA 70804 Via email apa.s-ins@legis.la.gov

The Honorable Michael "Gabe" Firment House Committee on Insurance P.O. Box 94062 Baton Rouge, LA 70804 Via email apa.h-ins@legis.la.gov

RE: Notice of Intent to Amend Regulation 46 – Long-Term Care Insurance

Dear President Henry, Speaker DeVillier, Senator Talbot, and Representative Firment:

The Department of Insurance, pursuant to the authority of the Louisiana Insurance Code, <u>R.S.</u> 22:1 et seq., and in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, <u>R.S. 49:950 et seq.</u>, gives notice of its intent to amend Regulation 46 – Long-Term Care Insurance. The Department of Insurance is amending Regulation 46 to remove §1931 because it is not statutorily authorized.

Enclosure: Notice of Intent to Amend Regulation 46 – Long-Term Care Insurance

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Insurance

Office of the Commissioner

Regulation 46—Long-Term Care Insurance

(LAC 37:XIII.Chapter 19)

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Title 37

INSURANCE

Part XIII. Regulations

Chapter 19. Regulation 46—Long-Term Care Insurance

§1931. Discretionary Powers of the Commissioner (Formerly §1927)

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:1736(A), 22:1736(E), 22:1738(C), 22:1739, and 22:1740.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Office of the Commissioner, LR 19:1153 (September 1993), amended LR 23:975 (August 1997), amended LR 31:470 (February 2005), repealed LR

Family Impact Statement

- 1. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Stability of the Family. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon the stability of the family.
- 2. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Authority and Rights of Parents Regarding the Education and Supervision of their Children. The proposed regulation should have no impact upon the rights and authority of children regarding the education and supervision of their children.
- 3. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Functioning of the Family. The proposed regulation should have no direct impact upon the functioning of the family.
- 4. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on Family Earnings and Budget. The proposed regulation should have no direct impact upon family earnings and budget.
- 5. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Behavior and Personal Responsibility of Children. The proposed regulation should have no impact upon the behavior and personal responsibility of children.
- 6. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Ability of the Family or a Local Government to Perform the Function as Contained in the Rule. The proposed regulation should have no impact upon the ability of the family or a local governmental unit to perform the function as contained in the rule.

Poverty Impact Statement

1. Describe the Effect on Household Income, Assets, and Financial Security. The proposed regulation should have no effect on household income assets and financial security.

- 2. Describe the Effect on Early Childhood Development and Preschool through Postsecondary Education Development. The proposed regulation should have no effect on early childhood development and preschool through postsecondary education development.
- 3. Describe the Effect on Employment and Workforce Development. The proposed regulation should have no effect on employment and workforce development.
- 4. Describe the Effect on Taxes and Tax Credits. The proposed regulation should have no effect on taxes and tax credits.
- 5. Describe the Effect on Child and Dependent Care, Housing, Health Care, Nutrition, Transportation and Utilities Assistance. The proposed regulation should have no effect on child and dependent care, housing, health care, nutrition, transportation and utilities assistance.

Small Business Analysis

The impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act has been considered. It is estimated that the proposed action is not expected to have a significant adverse impact on small businesses. The agency, consistent with health, safety, environmental and economic welfare factors has considered and, where possible, utilized regulatory methods in the drafting of the proposed regulation that will accomplish the objectives of applicable statutes while minimizing the adverse impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses.

- 1. Identification and Estimate of the Number of the Small Businesses Subject to the Proposed Rule. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon small businesses.
- 2. The Projected Reporting, Record Keeping, and Other Administrative Costs Required for Compliance with the Proposed Rule, Including the Type of Professional Skills Necessary for Preparation of the Report or Record. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon small businesses.
- 3. A Statement of the Probable Effect on Impacted Small Businesses. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon small businesses.
- 4. Describe any Less Intrusive or Less Costly Alternative Methods of Achieving the Purpose of the Proposed Rule. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact on small businesses; therefore, will have no less intrusive or less cost alternative methods.

Provider Impact Statement

- 1. Describe the Effect on the Staffing Level Requirements or Qualifications Required to Provide the Same Level of Service. The proposed regulation will have no effect.
- 2. The Total Direct and Indirect Effect on the Cost to the Provider to Provide the Same Level of Service. The proposed regulation will have no effect.
- 3. The Overall Effect on the Ability of the Provider to Provide the Same Level of Service. The proposed regulation will have no effect.

Public Comments

Interested persons who wish to make comments may do so by writing to Jennifer Land, Staff Attorney, Louisiana Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 94214, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214, by faxing comments to (225) 342-1632, or electronically at regulations@ldi.la.gov. Comments will be accepted through the close of business, 4:30 p.m., July 10, 2024.

Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement

1. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS. (Summary)

The proposed amended rule is not anticipated to result in implementation costs or savings to the state or local governmental units. The proposed rule is being amended to remove Section 1931 because it is not statutorily authorized.

2. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS. (Summary)

The proposed amended rule will have no effect on state or local governmental revenues.

3. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS. (Summary)

The proposed amended rule will have no impact on economic costs or benefits to directly affected persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups.

4. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT. (Summary)

The proposed amended rule does not affect competition and employment in the state.