

State Corporation Commission 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1327

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Dudley

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Insurance; multiple employer welfare arrangements

5. Summary/Purpose: Exempts from regulation in Virginia any multiple employer welfare arrangement (MEWA) comprised only of banks and their employees that (i) is licensed as a MEWA by insurance authorities in a contiguous state; (ii) files a copy of its license or certificate of authority with the State Corporation Commission; and (iii) has no more than 50 employees who reside in Virginia enrolled in or receiving accident and sickness benefits as insureds, members, enrollees, or subscribers of the MEWA. "Bank" as used in § 38.2-3420 is defined as an institution that has or is eligible for insurance of deposits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

6. No Fiscal Impact on the State Corporation Commission

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: None

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: State Corporation Commission Bureau of Insurance

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: House Bill 1327 creates a very limited MEWA carve out that allows the North Carolina Bankers' Association Health Benefit Trust to offer the same health benefit plans for employees of all its member banks, including those banks that may have branches in Virginia employing only a few persons who are Virginia residents.

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources