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SENATE BILL NO. 1338

Offered January 21, 2005

A Bill to amend and reenact §38.2-3525 of the Code of Virginia, relating to group accident and sickness insurance coverage.

Patrons—Howell, Devolites Davis, Edwards, Potts, Saslaw and Watkins; Delegates: Brink, Callahan and Dillard

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That Section 38.2-3525 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 38.2-3525. Group accident and sickness insurance coverages of spouses, ~~or~~ dependent children, or other persons.

A. Coverage under a group accident and sickness insurance policy, except a policy issued pursuant to § 38.2-3521.1.B., may be extended to insure:

(1) the spouse and any child who is under the age of ~~nineteen~~ 19 years or who is a dependent and a full-time student under ~~twenty-five~~ 25 years of age, without regard to whether such child resides in the same household as the *certificate holder*, or any class of spouse and dependent children, of each insured group member who so elects; and

(2) any other class of persons as may mutually be agreed upon by the insurer and the group policyholder.

B. The amount of accident and sickness insurance for the spouse, dependent child, or other person shall not exceed the amount of accident and sickness insurance for the insured group member.

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 38.2-3538, one certificate may be issued for each family unit insured group member if a statement concerning any spouse's, ~~or~~ dependent child's, or other person's coverage is included in the certificate.

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