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2 Representatives Donahue of Northfield, Black of Essex, Burrows of West
3 Windsor, Cordes of Lincoln, Goldman of Rockingham, Houghton of Essex,
4 Lippert of Hinesburg, Page of Newport City, and Peterson of Clarendon move
5 that the report of the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development be
6 amended by adding a new section to be Sec. 34 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 34. SEPARATING THE INDIVIDUAL AND SMALL GROUP

8 HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETS FOR PLAN YEAR 2022

9 (a) Purpose. The purpose of this section is to allow for separate individual
10 and small group health insurance markets for plan year 2022 in light of the
11 increased opportunities for federal premium assistance available through the
12 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2, to eligible households
13 purchasing qualified health benefit plans in the individual market.

14 (b) Definitions. As used in this section, “health benefit plan,” “registered
15 carrier,” and “small employer” have the same meanings as in 33 V.S.A.
16 § 1811.

17 (c) Separate plans and community rating. Notwithstanding any provision
18 of 33 V.S.A. § 1811 to the contrary, for plan year 2022, a registered carrier
19 shall:

20 (1) offer separate health benefit plans to individuals and families in the
21 individual market and to small employers in the small group market;

- 1 (2) apply community rating in accordance with 33 V.S.A. § 1811(f) to
- 2 determine the premiums for the carrier’s plan year 2022 individual market
- 3 plans separately from the premiums for its small group market plans; and
- 4 (3) file premium rates with the Green Mountain Care Board pursuant to
- 5 8 V.S.A. § 4062 separately for the carrier’s individual market and small group
- 6 market plans.
- 7 and by renumbering the remaining section to be numerically correct