Health Care Committee

HCR 4423

Brief Description: Creating the Health Care Insurance Options Working Group.

Sponsors: Representatives Cody, Campbell, Schual-Berke, Conway and Kagi.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Creates a Health Care Insurance Options Working Group to examine the health care insurance system and make recommendations.

Hearing Date: 1/29/02

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

Health care costs are currently rising at three times the rate of general inflation. Increasing health care costs impact government health programs, private companies providing insurance coverage for their employees, and individuals attempting to purchase health insurance.

Summary of Bill:

A Health Care Insurance Options Working Group is created to examine the health care insurance system in the State of Washington and make recommendations for its improvement. The working group will prepare a report, including its findings and recommendations, and transmit the report to the Legislature and the Governor no later than January 1, 2004.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.