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Finds that many small employers struggle with the cost of providing employer-sponsored health insurance coverage to their employees, while others are unable to offer coverage due to its high cost. It is the intent of the legislature to encourage the availability of less expensive health insurance plans, and expand the flexibility of small employers to purchase less expensive products.

Provides that, beginning July 1, 2007, the administrator shall accept applications from eligible employees, on behalf of themselves, their spouses, and their dependent children, to receive premium subsidies through the small employer health insurance partnership program.