

LEGISLATIVE BILL 880

Passed over the Governor's veto April 2, 1984

Introduced by Speaker, Nichol, 48, for the Governor

AN ACT relating to group insurance; to amend section 44-1622, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1982, and section 44-1620.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1983; to change the amounts of state contributions; to provide powers for the Risk Manager relating to bid specifications; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.
Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 44-1620.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1983, be amended to read as follows:

44-1620.01. In order to continue to provide state employees who are subject to sections 44-1620 to 44-1632 with an adequate the current health insurance program, the state shall contribute the following sums from the various funds toward payment of a health insurance plan which may include coverage for dependents, except as provided in section 44-1622.01: For single coverage, the monthly sum of ~~forty-one dollars and two~~ forty-four dollars and forty-seven cents; for two or four party coverage, the monthly sum of one hundred ~~three dollars and thirty-nine~~ twelve dollars and eight cents; and for family coverage, the monthly sum of one hundred ~~forty-six dollars and eighty-eight~~ fifty-nine dollars and twenty-three cents.

Sec. 2. That section 44-1622, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1982, be amended to read as follows:

44-1622. The Risk Manager shall select one or more carriers or combinations of carriers licensed to do insurance business in Nebraska to serve as administrator of the insurance contract or contracts. Such selection shall be made after open competitive bidding in which any carrier authorized to provide the type or types of insurance coverage involved shall be eligible to participate. The Risk Manager may develop bid specifications which provide for various forms of plan design and funding methods, including plans of self-insurance or any combination of such methods. The Risk Manager may utilize such expert technical assistance provided by other state agencies or outside consultants as may be required to establish and evaluate criteria for selection of carriers. The insurance contract or contracts may be subject to rebidding at any time after the inception of this program at the discretion of the Risk

Manager.

Sec. 3. This act shall become operative on July 1, 1984.

Sec. 4. That original section 44-1622, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1982, and section 44-1620.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1983, are repealed.

Sec. 5. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.