

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 303—ASSEMBLYMEN STEWART, HARDY, MABEY, BEERS, GANSERT, GOEDHART, GOICOECHEA, MANENDO, MUNFORD, SEGERBLOM, SETTELMEYER AND WEBER

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

**SUMMARY**—Adds provisions relating to insurers who require medical examinations before issuing, renewing, reinstating or reevaluating policies of insurance.  
(BDR 57-919)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

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AN ACT relating to insurance; requiring insurers to provide notice to policyholders or prospective policyholders, and their primary care physicians, of potentially serious medical conditions detected during required medical examinations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law establishes the requirements and procedures regarding the  
2 issuance, renewal, reinstatement and reevaluation of the terms of policies and  
3 certificates of insurance and annuity contracts. (Title 57 of NRS) This bill provides  
4 that if an insurer requires a medical examination of a policyholder or prospective  
5 policyholder before the insurer will issue, renew, reinstate or reevaluate the terms  
6 of a contract of insurance or annuity contract and a potentially serious medical  
7 condition is detected as a result of that medical examination, the insurer must notify  
8 the policyholder or prospective policyholder and, if he has one, his primary care  
9 physician of that potentially serious medical condition within 30 days after the date  
10 on which the potentially serious medical condition is detected. This bill also  
11 provides that if the policyholder or prospective policyholder is a minor, the required  
12 notice must not be sent to the minor, but instead must be sent to his parent or legal  
13 guardian.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1      **Section 1.** Chapter 687B of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3      *1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if an  
4 insurer requires a medical examination of an applicant or an  
5 insured before the issuance, renewal, reinstatement or  
6 reevaluation of the terms of any policy or certificate of insurance  
7 or annuity contract, the insurer shall:*

8        *(a) If the applicant or insured has a primary care physician,  
9 notify:*

10      *(1) The physician of any potentially serious medical  
11 condition that is detected as a result of that medical examination;  
12 and*

13      *(2) The applicant or insured:*

14      *(I) Of any potentially serious medical condition that is  
15 detected as a result of that medical examination; and*

16      *(II) That his primary care physician has also been  
17 notified of any potentially serious medical condition detected as a  
18 result of that medical examination.*

19      *(b) If the applicant or insured does not have a primary care  
20 physician, notify the applicant or insured of any potentially  
21 serious medical condition that is detected as a result of that  
22 medical examination.*

23      *Any notice required pursuant to this section must be sent by  
24 registered or certified mail not later than 30 days after the date on  
25 which the potentially serious medical condition is detected. If the  
26 applicant or insured is under the age of 18 years, any notice  
27 required pursuant to this section must not be sent to the applicant  
28 or insured, but instead must be sent to a parent or legal guardian  
29 of the applicant or insured.*

30      *2. The Commissioner may adopt regulations to carry out the  
31 provisions of this section.*

32      *3. The provisions of this section do not apply to a policy of  
33 workers' compensation insurance or industrial insurance.*

34      *4. As used in this section, "potentially serious medical  
35 condition" includes, without limitation, any medical condition  
36 that:*

37        *(a) Is life-threatening or potentially life-threatening if it is not  
38 treated immediately or is not closely monitored; or*



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1       (b) Causes the insurer to refuse to issue, renew, reinstate or  
2       reevaluate the terms of a policy or certificate of insurance or  
3       annuity contract.

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