

SENATE NO. 1683

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE GROUP INSURANCE COMMISSION

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new section:-

3 Section 24. Prior to the purchase of any policy or policies as defined in this chapter, or entering
4 into any contract or agreement for insurance as defined therein, or the adoption of any
5 amendment or changes to a previously purchased policy or contract entered into, or the
6 implementation of any changes by the commission that would decrease the level of benefits
7 accorded to persons covered under this chapter under such a policy or policies, or contracts or
8 agreements for insurance, or entering into a contract or agreement as defined in section 4A, the
9 commission shall refer the policy or policies, contract or agreement, amendments or changes
10 thereto to the joint committee on public service, who shall hold a public hearing on the same
11 within 30 days of their referral to committee. Within 45 days of their referral to the joint
12 committee on public service, said committee shall transmit in writing to the commission its
13 recommendations, if any, for modifications to said policy or policies, contracts or agreements,
14 and amendments or changes thereto.

