

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

The 76th Texas Legislature, enacted legislation authorizing physicians practicing within the service area of a health benefit plan to jointly negotiate the terms and conditions of contracts with health plans, if the health plan has substantial market power and if the physicians have a representative to engage in joint negotiations. As proposed, S.B. 752 extends the September 1, 2003, sunset provision to September 1, 2007.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Article 29.14, Insurance Code, to provide that this chapter expires September 1, 2007, rather than 2003.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003,