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Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

 Prohibits life, disability, and long-term care insurers from unfairly discriminating against a living organ donor in the offering, issuance, premium, or conditions of such a policy.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

The bill prohibits an insurer from unfairly discriminating against a living organ donor in the offering, issuance, premium, or conditions of a life, disability, or long-term care insurance policy based solely, and without any additional actuarial risks, on that person's status as a living organ donor. A "living organ donor" is a living person who donates an organ to another living person.¹

A violation of this prohibition is an unfair and deceptive practice in the business of insurance, permitting the Superintendent of Insurance to impose a variety of sanctions on the violator. Possible sanctions include suspending or revoking the insurer's license, ordering the insurer to make restitution, and imposing a civil penalty.

The bill authorizes the Superintendent to adopt rules as necessary to carry out the bill's requirements.²

^{*} This analysis was prepared before the report of the House Insurance Committee appeared in the House Journal. Note that the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 3901.80(A) and (B).

² R.C. 3901.80(C) and (D); R.C. 3901.21 and 3901.22, not in the bill.

HISTORYActionDateIntroduced03-09-21Reported, H. Insurance---

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