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TITLE 28. INSURANCE Part I. Texas Department of Insurance Chapter 3. Life, Accident, and Health Insurance and Annuities

## SUBCHAPTER W. MISCELLANEOUS RULES FOR GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE 28 TAC §3.3615

**INTRODUCTION.** The Texas Department of Insurance adopts the repeal of 28 TAC §3.3615, relating to Continuation of Existing Texas Health Insurance Pool Coverage. The repeal is adopted without changes to the proposal published in the May 13, 2016, issue of the *Texas Register* (41 TexReg 3425).

**EXPLANATION.** Section 3.3615 was adopted under Section 7 of SB 1367, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session (2013), to temporarily extend Texas Health Insurance Pool (THIP) insurance coverage until March 31, 2014, because of problems with the federal implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. That function now is complete, and the THIP's enabling act is repealed. Therefore, §3.3615 is no longer needed and should be repealed.

The adoption of the repeal will result in the elimination of unnecessary regulations.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS. TDI did not receive any comments on the proposed repeal.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY.** The repeal of §3.3615 is adopted under SB 1367, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session (2013), and Insurance Code §36.001. SB 1367 abolished the THIP and repealed Insurance Code Chapter 1506. Section 36.001 provides that the commissioner of insurance may adopt any rules necessary and appropriate to implement the powers and duties of TDI under the Insurance Code and other laws of this state.

## TEXT.

## §3.3615. Continuation of Existing Texas Health Insurance Pool Coverage.

**CERTIFICATION.** This agency certifies that legal counsel has reviewed the adopted repeal and found it to be within the agency's legal authority to adopt.

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The commissioner adopts the repeal of 28 TAC §3.3615.

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