

Figure: 28 TAC §3.3829(b)(8)(I)

**Instructions to Company:** This form provides information to the applicant regarding premium rate schedules, rate schedule adjustments, potential rate revisions, and policyholder options in the event of a rate increase.

## FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

### **Long-Term Care Insurance Potential Rate Increase Disclosure Form**

(Company Name, address & phone number)

1. (Premium rate/Premium rate schedules) that (is/are) applicable to you and that will be in effect until a request is made and filed with the Texas Department of Insurance for an increase (is/are) (\$\_\_\_\_\_) shown on the application. The (premium/premium rate schedule) for this coverage will be (shown on the schedule page of/attached to) your (policy/rider).
2. If your rates are changed, the new rates will become effective on the (next anniversary date/next billing date, etc.). The new rates will remain in effect until another request is made and filed with the Texas Department of Insurance. You have the right to receive a revised (premium rate/premium rate schedule) if the (premium/premium rate schedule) is changed.
3. This long-term care coverage is Guaranteed Renewable. This means that the rates for this coverage may be increased in the future. Your rates CANNOT be increased due to (your increasing age or) declining health, but your rates may go up based on the experience of all insureds with a (policy/rider) similar to yours.
4. If you receive a (premium rate/premium rate schedule) increase in the future, you will be notified of the new premium amount and you will be able to exercise at least one of the following options:
  - (a) Pay the increased premium and continue your coverage in force as is.
  - (b) Reduce your coverage benefits to a level such that your premiums will not increase.
  - (c) Exercise your long-term care nonforfeiture option, if purchased. This option is available for purchase for an additional premium.
  - (d) Exercise your contingent nonforfeiture rights - See No. 5. This option is available if you do not purchase a long-term care nonforfeiture option mentioned in (c) above.

## 5. Contingent Nonforfeiture Rights

If the premium rate for your (policy/rider) goes up in the future and you do not buy a long-term care nonforfeiture option, you may be eligible for contingent nonforfeiture. Here's how to tell if you are eligible:

(a) You will keep some long-term care insurance coverage, if:

(1) Your premium after the increase exceeds your original premium by the percentage shown, or more, in the table (provided on the next page/below); and

(2) You do not pay your premium within 120 days of the increase causing your (policy/rider) to lapse.

(b) The amount of coverage, new lifetime maximum benefit amount, etc., you will keep will equal the total amount of premiums you have paid since your (policy/rider) was first issued. If you have already received benefits under the (policy/rider), so that the remaining maximum benefit amount is less than the total amount of premiums you have paid, the amount of coverage will be that remaining amount.

(c) Except for this reduced lifetime maximum benefit amount, all other (policy/rider) benefits will remain at the levels attained at the time of the lapse and will not increase thereafter.

Should you choose this Contingent Nonforfeiture option, your (policy/rider), with this reduced maximum benefit amount, will be considered "paid-up" with no further premiums due.

### **Example:**

- You bought the (policy/rider) at age 65 and paid the \$1,000 annual premium for ten years, so you have paid a total of \$10,000 in premium.
- In the eleventh year, you receive a rate increase of 50%, or \$500 for a new annual premium of \$1,500, and you decide to not pay any more premiums causing your (policy/rider) to lapse.
- Your "paid-up" (policy/rider) benefits are \$10,000, provided you have at least \$10,000 of benefits remaining under your (policy/rider.)

**Contingent Nonforfeiture Cumulative Premium Increase over  
Initial Premium That Qualifies for Contingent Nonforfeiture Table**

Percentage increase is cumulative from date of original issue. It does NOT represent a one-time increase.

<b>Issue Age</b>	<b>Percent Increase Over Initial Premium</b>
29 and under	200%
30-34	190%
35-39	170%
40-44	150%
45-49	130%
50-54	110%
55-59	90%
60	70%
61	66%
62	62%
63	58%
64	54%
65	50%
66	48%
67	46%
68	44%
69	42%
70	40%
71	38%
72	36%
73	34%
74	32%
75	30%
76	28%
77	26%
78	24%
79	22%
80	20%
81	19%
82	18%
83	17%
84	16%
85	15%
86	14%
87	13%
88	12%
89	11%
90 and over	10%

## 6. Fixed or Limited Premium Payment Period

In addition to the contingent nonforfeiture benefits described above, the following reduced "paid-up" contingent nonforfeiture benefit is an option in all policies or certificates that have a fixed or limited premium payment period, even if you selected a nonforfeiture benefit when you bought your policy. If both the reduced "paid-up" benefit AND the contingent nonforfeiture benefit described above are triggered by the same rate increase, you can choose either of the two benefits.

You are eligible for the reduced "paid-up" contingent nonforfeiture benefit when all three conditions shown below are met:

(a) The premium you are required to pay after the increase exceeds your original premium by the same percentage or more shown in the chart below;

<u>Triggers for a Substantial Premium Increase</u>	
<u>Issue Age</u>	<u>Percent Increase Over Initial Premium</u>
Under 65	50%
65 - 80	30%
Over 80	10%

(b) You stop paying your premiums within 120 days of when the premium increase took effect; AND

(c) The ratio of the number of months you already paid premiums is 40% or more than the number of months you originally agreed to pay.

If you exercise this option your coverage will be converted to reduced "paid-up" status. That means there will be no additional premiums required. Your benefits will change in the following ways:

(1) The total lifetime amount of benefits your reduced paid up policy or certificate will provide can be determined by multiplying 90% of the lifetime benefit amount at the time the policy or certificate becomes paid up by the ratio of the number of months you already paid premiums to the number of months you agreed to pay them.

(2) The daily benefit amounts you purchased will also be adjusted by the same ratio.

If you purchased lifetime benefits, only the daily benefit amounts you purchased will be adjusted by the applicable ratio.

**Example:**

- You bought the policy or certificate at age 65 with an annual premium payable for 10 years.
- In the sixth year, you receive a rate increase of 35% and you decide to stop paying premiums.
- Because you have already paid 50% of your total premium payments and that is more than the 40% ratio, your "paid-up" policy or certificate benefits are .45 (.90 times .50) times the total benefit amount that was in effect when you stopped paying your premiums. If you purchased inflation protection, it will not continue to apply to the benefits in the reduced "paid-up" policy or certificate.

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