

Ability Insurance Company
Aug 31, 2018

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Filing Summary:

Ability Insurance Company requested an aggregate 54% rate increase for the following LTC forms: LT691, LT692, LT694, LT695, and LT201. These policies were originally sold by Medico and Mutual Protective.

The requested 2018 rate increases vary by issue age, inflation option, and policy form and ranged from 8% to 90%.

The Department disapproved the requested increase on the 39 policies in this block.

Effective date of rate change: Renewals on and after 8/31/2018.

The current policies in place are not generating sufficient premium to pay future claims to policyholders. This is a common problem for a number of insurers nationwide because policyholders are keeping their policies longer than expected and are living longer than projected. As a result, policyholders are using more benefits on average than the company anticipated when the policies were originally sold. This means the company has to pay out more for benefits than it originally projected.

In making this decision, the Department considered the projected loss ratio for each block of policy forms, that is, the projected total amount of benefits paid out versus the total amount of premium collected, the reasonableness of the assumptions the company used in its projections, and the company's financial situation. The Department also considered the financial impact this rate increase would pose to consumers, the past rate increases policyholders have faced, and the availability of options to limit the rate increase by reducing benefits.

This Rate Filing Decision Summary is a tool to help explain the rate filing and does not describe all the factors considered as part of the Department's rate review.