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# **State moves to save health insurance for Kodak retirees**

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New state legislation will allow Eastman Kodak Co. retirees to buy experience-rated health insurance, a move designed to protect former employees of the bankrupt Rochester company.

Gov. [Andrew Cuomo](#) signed the bill yesterday in Albany, [according to the Rochester Business Journal](#).

"Some of these employees have dedicated the majority of their careers to Kodak, and they should have options for their health insurance coverage," the governor said in a statement.

The bill is expected to stabilize the costs of health insurance for Kodak retirees.

New York insurance law typically requires individual and small group health insurance policies and contracts to be community-rated.

An insurer charges the same premium to all persons participating in a community-rated system, while experience-rated premiums can fluctuate based on the actual health records of a specific group.