

## GOV. MSG. NO. 574

#### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

May 18, 2010

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on May 18, 2010, the following bill was signed into law:

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A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE. ACT 116 (10)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

Approved by the Governor on MAY 1 8 2010

THE SENATE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 116 S.B. NO. S.D. 1 H.D. 1

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 431, Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended
- 2 as follows:
- 3 1. By adding a new section to article 3 to be
- 4 appropriately designated and to read:
- 5 "§431:3- Statement of actuarial opinion; property and
- 6 casualty insurance; confidentiality. (a) The statement of
- 7 actuarial opinion shall be provided with the annual statement in
- 8 accordance with the property and casualty annual statement
- 9 instruction as adopted by the National Association of Insurance
- 10 Commissioners and shall be treated as a public document.
- 11 (b) Documents, materials, or other information related to
- or provided in connection with an actuarial report, working
- 13 papers, or actuarial opinion summary that are in possession or
- 14 control of the commissioner shall be confidential by law and
- 15 privileged, shall not be made public, subject to subpoena or
- 16 discovery, and shall not be admissible as evidence in any
- 17 private civil action; provided that:

. 1	<u>( 1 ) </u>	THE COMMITSSIONEL MAY LETEASE THE COCCUMENTS TO THE
2		Actuarial Board for Counseling and Discipline or its
3		successor to the extent that the material is required
4		for the purpose of professional disciplinary
5		proceedings and that the Actuarial Board for
6		Counseling and Discipline or its successor establishes
7		procedures satisfactory to the commissioner for
8		preserving the confidentiality of the documents;
9	(2)	This section shall not be construed to limit the
10		commissioner's authority to use the documents,
11		materials, or other information in furtherance of any
12		regulatory or legal action brought as part of the
13		commissioner's official duties; and
14	(3)	Neither the commissioner nor any person who received
15		documents, materials, or other information while
16		acting under the authority of the commissioner shall
17		be permitted or required to testify in any private
18		civil action concerning any confidential documents,
19		materials, or information subject to this subsection.
20	(c)	The commissioner may share documents, materials, or
21	other inf	ormation, including the confidential and privileged
22	documents	, materials, or information subject to subsections (a)
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- 1 and (b), with other state, federal, and international regulatory
- 2 agencies, with the National Association of Insurance
- 3 Commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries, and with
- 4 state, federal, and international law enforcement authorities;
- 5 provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the
- 6 confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material,
- 7 or information and has the legal authority to do so.
- 8 (d) The commissioner may receive documents, materials, or
- 9 other information, including otherwise confidential and
- 10 privileged documents, materials, or information, from the
- 11 National Association of Insurance Commissioners and its
- 12 affiliates and subsidiaries, and from regulatory and law
- 13 enforcement officials of other foreign or domestic
- 14 jurisdictions. The commissioner shall maintain as confidential
- 15 or privileged, subject to subsection (b)(3), any document,
- 16 material, or information received with notice or the
- 17 understanding that it is confidential or privileged under the
- 18 laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document,
- 19 material, or information.
- 20 (e) The commissioner may enter into agreements governing
- 21 sharing and use of information consistent with subsections (b),
- 22 (c), and (d).

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1	(f) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of
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2	confidentiality in the documents, materials, or information
3	subject to this section shall occur as a result of disclosure to
4	the commissioner under this section or as a result of sharing as
5	authorized in subsections (b), (c), and (d)."
6	2. By adding a new section to part II of article 9 to be
7	appropriately designated and to read:
8	"431:9- Reporting of actions. (a) A licensee shall
9	report in writing to the commissioner any civil or
10	administrative action taken against the licensee in any
11	jurisdiction or by any governmental agency in the United States
12	within thirty days of the final disposition of the matter.
13	(b) Within thirty days of arraignment, a licensee shall
14	report in writing to the commissioner any criminal prosecution
15	of the licensee being taken in any jurisdiction.
16	(c) A report pursuant to this section shall include a copy
17	of the initial complaint or indictment and any and all other

- 3. By amending subsection (c) of section 431:2-208 to
- 20 read:

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- 21 "(c) An insurer or licensee shall issue a written response
- 22 with reasonable promptness, in no case more than fifteen working

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relevant legal documents."

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- 3 practice. The response shall be more than an acknowledgment
- 4 that the commissioner's communication has been received, and
- 5 shall adequately address the concerns stated in the
- 6 communication."
- 7 4. By amending subsection (a) of section 431:4F-103 to
- 8 read:
- 9 "(a) An alien insurer may use this [State] state as a
- 10 state of entry to transact insurance in the United States
- 11 through a United States branch by:
- 12 (1) Qualifying as an insurer licensed to do business in
- this [State; and
- 14 (2) Establishing [a] trust [account,] accounts, pursuant
- to [a] trust [agreement] agreements approved by the
- 16 commissioner with a United States financial
- institution approved by the commissioner, in an amount
- at least equal to the minimum capital and surplus or
- 19 authorized control level risk-based capital, whichever
- is greater, required to be maintained by a domestic
- insurer licensed [to-do] for the same kind of
- insurance."

1	5. By amending subsection (d) of section 431:9-203 to
2	read:
3	"(d) As used in this section, "change of status" includes
4	but shall not be limited to change of legal name, assumed name,
5	trade name, business address, home address, mailing address,
6	business phone number, business fax number, business electronic
7	mail address, business website address, or home phone number."
8	6. By amending subsection (b) of section 431:9-228 to
9	read:
10	"(b) The licensee shall [promptly] notify the commissioner
11	of any change of business address[-] within thirty days of the
12	change."
13	7. By amending subsection (f) of section 431:9A-107 to
14	read:
15	"(f) A licensee shall:
16	(1) Inform the commissioner by any means acceptable to the
17	commissioner of any change of status within thirty
18	days of the change; and
19	(2) Report any change of status to the business
20	registration division if the licensee is a business
21	entity registered with the department of commerce and
22	consumer affairs pursuant to title 23 or title 23A, or

1	if the licensee has registered a trade name pursuant
2	to part I of chapter 482.
3	Failure to timely inform the commissioner or the business
4	registration division of a change of status may result in a
5	penalty pursuant to section 431:2-203.
6	As used in this subsection, "change of status" includes but
7	shall not be limited to change of legal name, assumed name,
8	trade name, business address, home address, mailing address,
9	business phone number, business fax number, business electronic
10	mail address, or business website address."
11	8. By amending subsection (c) of section 431:9A-122 to
12	read:
13	"(c) The licensee shall [promptly] notify the commissioner
14	[in writing] of any change of business address[-] within thirty
15	days of the change."
16	9. By adding a new definition in section 431:9C-101 to be
17	appropriately inserted and to read:
18	"Producer" has the same meaning as in section 431:9A-102.
19	10. By amending section 431:9C-102 to read:
20	"§431:9C-102 Licensure. (a) No person, firm,
21	association, or corporation shall act as a managing general

agent, with respect to risks located in this [State] state for

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1	an insurer licensed in this [State, unless licensed as a
2	producer in this [State.] state.
3	(b) No person, firm, association, or corporation shall act
4	as a managing general agent[ $_{7}$ ] representing an insurer domiciled
5	in this [State] state with respect to risks located outside
6	this [State,] state unless licensed as a producer in this
7	[ <del>State.</del> ] state.
8	[-(c) The commissioner shall require the managing general
9	agent to furnish a bond in an amount equal to \$100,000 or ten
10	per cent of annual gross direct written premiums, whichever is
11	greater, with an insurance company licensed to do business
12	within the State or with an insurance company approved by the
13	commissioner, for the protection of the insurer. Each managing
14	general agent shall provide the commissioner with:
15	(1) Proof of the bond at the time of the initial
16	application for licensure;
17	(2) Appropriate documentation at the time of each renewal
18	to show that the bond continues to be in effect or
19	that a new bond-has-been secured; and
20	(3) Any-other report required by the commissioner.
21	(d) The commissioner shall-require the managing general
22	agent to maintain an errors and omissions policy in an amount

1	equal to \$1,000,000 or twenty live per cent of annual gross
2	direct written premiums, whichever is greater, with an insurance
3	company licensed to do business within the State or an insurance
4	company approved by the commissioner. Each managing general
5	agent shall provide the commissioner with:
6	(1) Proof of the policy at the time of the initial
7	application for licensure;
8	(2) Appropriate documentation at the time of each renewal
9	to show that the policy continues to be in effect or
10	that a new policy has been secured; and
11	(3) Any other report required by the commissioner.]"
12	11. By amending section 431:9C-103 to read:
13	"\$431:9C-103 Required contract provisions. No person,
14	firm, association, or corporation acting as a managing general
15	agent shall place business with an insurer unless there is in
16	force[7] a written contract between the managing general agent
17	and the insurer which sets forth the responsibilities of each
18	party [and,]; where both the managing general agent and the
19	insurer share responsibility for a particular function,
20	specifies the division of those responsibilities $[\tau]$ and which
21	contains at least the following additional provisions:

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1	(1)	The insurer may terminate the contract for cause upon
2		written notice to the managing general agent [. The
3	•	insurer] and may suspend the underwriting authority of
4	•	the managing general agent during the pendency of any
5	•	dispute regarding the cause for termination;
6	(2)	The managing general agent shall render accounts to

- (2) The managing general agent shall render accounts to the insurer detailing all transactions and <u>shall</u> remit all funds due under the contract to the insurer on not less than a monthly basis;
- 10 (3) All funds collected for the account of an insurer shall be held by the managing general agent in a 11 fiduciary capacity and shall be deposited in an 12 account in a bank which is a member of the Federal 13 14 Reserve System. This account shall be used for all 15 payments on behalf of the insurer by the managing general agent. The managing general agent may retain 16 no more than three months estimated claims payments 17 18 and allocated loss adjustment expenses;
  - (4) Separate records of business written by the managing general agent shall be maintained in the [licensee's]

    managing general agent's office. The insurer shall have [access to and] the right to access and to copy

1		all accounts and records of the managing general agent
2		related to the insurer's business in a form usable by
3		the insurer[, and]; the commissioner shall have access
4		to all books, bank accounts, and records of the
5		managing general agent in a form usable to the
6		commissioner. Records shall be in an organized form
7		according to each class of insurance and shall include
8		the following information to the extent it is
9		applicable:
10		(A) A record of each insurance contract procured or
11		issued, together with the names of the insurers
12		and insureds, the amount of premium paid or to be
13		paid, or the basis of the premium or
14		consideration paid or to be paid, and a statement
15		of the subject of the insurance;
16		(B) The names of any other licensees from whom
17		business is accepted and the names of persons to
18	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	whom commissions or allowances of any kind are
19		promised or paid;
20		(C) A record of each investigation or adjustment
21		undertaken or consummated and a statement of any
22		fee, commission, or other compensation received

1		or to be received by $[\frac{\text{the}}{\text{en}}]$ and adjuster on account
2		of [the] each investigation or adjustment;
3	(	D) A record of each bill reviewed and a statement of
4		any fee, commission, or other compensation
5		received or to be received by the independent
6		bill reviewer on account of the bill reviewed;
7		and
8	(	E) Any additional information as shall be customary
9		or as may reasonably be required by the
0		commissioner.
11	T	his paragraph shall not apply to life or accident and
12	h	ealth or sickness insurance if the records required
13	0	f [such] that insurance are customarily maintained in
14	t	he offices of the insurer;
15	(5) T	he contract may not be assigned in whole or in part
16	b	y the managing general agent;
17	(6) A	ppropriate underwriting guidelines including:
18	(.	A) The maximum annual premium volume;
19	(	B) The basis of the rates to be charged;
20	(	C) The types of risks which may be written;
21	· (:	D) Maximum limits of liability;
22	(	E) Applicable exclusions;

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1		(F) Territorial limitations;
2		(G) Policy cancellation provisions; and
3		(H) The maximum policy period.
4		The insurer shall have the right to cancel or nonrenew
5		any policy of insurance subject to the applicable laws
6		and rules concerning the cancellation and nonrenewal
7		of insurance policies;
8	(7)	The insurer shall require the managing general agent
9		to obtain and maintain a surety bond for the
10		protection of the insurer. The bond amount shall be
11		\$100,000 or ten per cent of the managing general
12		agent's total nationwide annual written premium for
13		the insurer in the prior calendar year, whichever is
14		greater; provided that the amount of the surety bond
15		shall not exceed \$500,000;
16	(8)	The insurer shall require the managing general agent
17		to obtain and maintain an errors and omissions policy
18		in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000;
19	[ <del>(7)</del> ]	(9) If the contract permits the managing general
20	•	agent to settle claims on behalf of the insurer:
21		(A) All claims shall be reported to the insurer in a
22		timely manner;

1	(B) A copy of the claim file shall be sent to the
2	insurer [at its] upon request or as soon as it
3	becomes known that the claim:
4 .	(i) Has the potential to exceed [an] a threshold
5	amount determined by the commissioner or
6	[exceeds the] a limit set by the insurer,
7	whichever is less;
8	(ii) Involves a coverage dispute;
9	(iii) May exceed the managing general agent's
10	claims settlement authority;
11	(iv) Is open for more than six months; or
12	(v) Is closed by payment of [an] a threshold
13	amount set by the commissioner or an amount
14	set by the insurer, whichever is less;
15	(C) All claim files shall be the joint property of
16	the insurer and managing general agent. However,
17	upon an order of liquidation of the insurer, the
18	files shall become the sole property of the
19	insurer or its estate; provided that the managing
20	general agent shall have reasonable access to and
21	the right to copy the files on a timely basis;

1		(D)	Any settlement authority granted to the managing
2			general agent may be terminated for cause upon
3			the insurer's written notice to the managing
.4			general agent or upon the termination of the
5	•		contract[. The]; provided that the insurer may
6			suspend the settlement authority during the
7			pendency of any dispute regarding the cause for
8			termination; and
9	•	(E)	Where electronic claims files are in existence,
10			the contract shall address the timely
11			transmission of the data;
12	[ <del>-(8)</del> ]	(10)	If the contract provides for a sharing of
13		inte	rim profits by the managing general agent $[-\tau]$ and
14		the	managing general agent has the authority to
15		dete	rmine the amount of the interim profits by
16		esta	blishing loss reserves [ex], controlling claim
17		paym	ents, or in any other manner, interim profits
18		shal	l not be paid to the managing general agent until
19		one	year after they are earned for property insurance
20		busi	ness and five years after they are earned on
21		casu	alty business and, in any event, not until the

. 1	prof	its have been verified through examination
2	purs	uant to section 431:9C-105; and
3 '	[ <del>(9)</del> ] <u>(11)</u>	The managing general agent shall not:
4	(A)	Bind reinsurance or retrocessions on behalf of
5		the insurer, except that the managing general
6		agent may bind facultative reinsurance contracts
7		pursuant to obligatory facultative agreements if
8		the contract with the insurer contains
9		reinsurance underwriting guidelines including,
10		for both reinsurance assumed and ceded, a list of
11		reinsurers with whom those automatic agreements
12		are in effect, the coverages and amounts or
13		percentages that may be reinsured, and commission
14		schedules;
15	(B)	Commit the insurer to participate in insurance or
16		reinsurance syndicates;
17	(C)	Appoint any producer without assuring that the
18		producer is lawfully licensed to transact the
19		type of insurance for which the producer is
20		appointed;
21	(D)	Without prior approval of the insurer, pay or
22		commit the insurer to pay a claim over a

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1		specified amount, net of reinsurance, which shall
2		not exceed one per cent of the insurer's
3		policyholder's surplus as of December 31 of the
4.		last completed calendar year;
5	(E)	Collect any payment from a reinsurer or commit
6		the insurer to any claim settlement with a
7		reinsurer without prior approval of the insurer.
8		If prior approval is given, a report shall be
9		promptly forwarded to the insurer;
10	(F)	Permit its subagent to serve on the board of
11		directors of the insurer;
12	(G)	Employ an individual who is <u>also</u> employed by the
13		insurer [also]; or
14	(H)	Appoint a sub-managing general agent."
15	12. By a	mending section 431:9C-104 to read:
16	"[ <del>[</del> ]§431:	9C-104[]] Duties of insurers. (a) An insurer
17	shall have on	file an independent financial examination in a
18	form acceptable	e to the commissioner of each managing general
19	agent with who	m it has done business [in a form acceptable to
20	the commission	er].
21	(b) If a	managing general agent establishes loss reserves,
22	the insurer sha	all annually obtain the opinion of an independent
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- 1 actuary attesting to the adequacy of loss reserves established
- 2 for losses incurred and outstanding on business produced by the
- 3 managing general agent. [This is] The opinion required by this
- 4 subsection shall be in addition to any other required loss
- 5 reserve certification required by this chapter.
- 6 (c) The insurer shall conduct at least semiannually an on-
- 7 site review of the underwriting and claims processing operations
- 8 of the managing general agent.
- 9 (d) Binding authority for all reinsurance contracts or
- 10 participation in insurance or reinsurance syndicates shall rest
- 11 with an officer of the insurer, who shall not be affiliated with
- 12 the managing general agent.
- 13 (e) The insurer shall notify the commissioner in writing
- 14 within thirty days of entering into or terminating a contract
- 15 with a managing general agent. [Notices] Notice of the
- 16 appointment of a managing general agent shall include a
- 17 statement of the duties [which] that the managing general agent
- 18 is expected to perform on behalf of the insurer, the lines of
- 19 insurance for which the managing general agent [is to] shall be
- 20 authorized to act, and any other information the commissioner
- 21 may [request.] require.

- 1 (f) An insurer shall review its books and records each
- 2 quarter to determine if any producer[, as defined in section
- 3 431:11A 101, has become a managing general agent [-] of the
- 4 insurer. If the insurer determines that a producer has become a
- 5 managing general agent  $[\tau]$  of the insurer, the insurer shall
- 6 promptly notify the producer and the commissioner [of the
- 7 determination] and the insurer and producer shall both fully
- 8 comply with this article within thirty days.
- 9 (q) An insurer shall not appoint to its board of directors
- 10 an officer, director, employee, subagent, or controlling
- 11 shareholder of any of its managing general agents; provided that
- 12 this subsection shall not apply to relationships governed by
- 13 article 11.
- 14 (h) The insurer shall keep the bond and the errors and
- omissions policy required by section 431:9C-103 on file for
- 16 review by the commissioner or other applicable regulatory
- 17 agency."
- 18 13. By amending section 431:9N-102 to read:
- "[+]\$431:9N-102[+] License denial, nonrenewal, suspension,
- 20 or revocation. In addition to [causes in] the authority granted
- 21 by section 431:9A-112, the commissioner may deny, place on
- 22 probation, suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew a bail

1	agent's license and may levy a civil fine or penalty in			
2	accordance with articles 2 and 9A, or take any combination of			
3	these act	ions, for any of the following causes:		
4	(1)	[Failing] Failure to satisfy, pay, or otherwise		
5		discharge a bail forfeiture judgment after [having]		
6		the bail agent's name [placed] is on the board for		
7		more than forty-five consecutive days for the same		
8		forfeiture;		
9	(2)	Failure to satisfy, pay, or otherwise discharge a		
10		final, nonappealable bail forfeiture judgment within		
11		sixty days following notice of entry of judgment;		
12	[- <del>(2)</del> -	Failing (3) Failure to report, to preserve without		
13		use and retain separately, or to return collateral		
14		[taken] received as security on any bond to the		
<b>15</b> .		principal or depositor of the collateral;		
16	[ <del>-(3)</del> -	Failing (4) Failure to pay a final, nonappealable		
17		judgment award for failure to return or repay		
18		collateral received to secure a bond;		
19	[ <del>(4)</del> ]	(5) Continuing [to execute] execution of bail bonds		
20		in any court in this [State] state while on the board,		
21		where the bail forfeiture judgment that resulted in		

[being placed] placement on the board has not been

1		paid, stayed, vacated, exonerated, or otherwise
2	• .	discharged; or
3	[ <del>-(5)</del>	Paying, [6] Payment, directly or indirectly, of any
4		commission, service fee, brokerage, or other valuable
5		consideration to any person selling, soliciting, or
6		negotiating bail within this [State] state unless, at
7		the time the services were performed, the person was
8		[a] duly licensed [bail agent] for the performance of
9		the services."
10	14.	By amending section 431:10-244 to read:
11	"\$ <b>43</b>	1:10-244 Filing procedure for contracts approved by
12	commission	ner. Each insurance contract requiring approval by the
13	commission	ner pursuant to this code, section 392-48 [and], or
14	section 3	86-124 and each contract certified by the insurer to be
15	in conform	mity with this code shall be accompanied by a \$20 fee
16	payable to	o the commissioner, which $[\frac{\text{fee}}{\text{e}}]$ shall be deposited $[\frac{\text{in}}{\text{o}}]$
17	into the	commissioner's education and training fund."
18	15.	By amending section 431:10A-105 to read:
19	"§ <b>4</b> 3:	1:10A-105 Required provisions. Except as provided in
20	section 43	31:10A-107, each policy of accident and health or
21	sickness	insurance delivered or issued for delivery to any
22	person in	this [State] state shall contain the provisions set
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1	forth below. These provisions shall be in the words in which
2	they appear below; provided that the insurer may substitute
3	corresponding provisions of different wording [approved by the
4	commissioner] certified by an officer of the insurer to be in
5	substantial conformance with the wording below that are in each
6	instance not less favorable in any respect to the insured or the
7	beneficiary. The provisions shall be preceded individually by
8	the specified caption, or by [such] appropriate individual or
9	group captions or subcaptions [as the commissioner may approve.
10	that are substantially similar to the specified captions. The
11	provisions required by this section are as follows:
12	(1) "Entire Contract; Changes: This policy, including the
13	endorsements and the attached papers, if any,
14	constitutes the entire contract of insurance. No
15	change in this policy shall be valid until approved by
16	an executive officer of the insurer and unless the
17	approval is endorsed on or attached to this policy.
18	No agent has authority to change this policy or to
19	waive any of its provisions[-]";
20	(2) (A) "Time Limit on Certain Defenses:
21	(i) After three years from the date of issue of

1			iraudulent misstatements, made by the
2			applicant in the application for this policy
3,			shall be used to void this policy or to deny
4			a claim for loss incurred or disability [+]
5			as defined in the policy[+] commencing after
6		<b>~</b>	the expiration of the three-year period[-];
7			and
8		(ii)	No claim for loss incurred or disability
9			[+] as defined in the policy[+] commencing
10			after three years from the date of issue of
11			this policy shall be reduced or denied on
12			the ground that a disease or physical
13			condition not excluded on the date of loss
14			from coverage by name or specific
15			description effective [on the date of loss]
16			had existed prior to the effective date of
17			coverage of this policy[-]";
18	(B)	The p	policy provision set forth in subparagraph
19		(A) (i	i) shall not be construed to affect any legal
20		requi	rement for avoidance of a policy or denial
21		of a	claim during the initial three-year period,
22		nor t	to limit the application of section 431:10A-

. 1		106(1) through (4) in the event of misstatement
2		with respect to age [ex], occupation, or other
3		insurance[-]; and
4	(C)	A policy that the insured has the right to
,5		continue in force subject to its terms by the
6		timely payment of premium until at least age
7		fifty or, in the case of a policy issued after
8		age forty-four, for at least five years from its
9		date of issue, may contain in lieu of
10		subparagraph (A)(i) the following provision
11		[+] from which the clause in parentheses may be
12		omitted at the insurer's option[+]:
13		"Incontestable: After this policy has been in
14		force for a period of three years during the
15		lifetime of the insured (excluding any period
16		during which the insured is disabled), it shall
17		become incontestable as to the statements
18		contained in the application[+]":
19	(3) (A)	"Grace period: A grace period of (insert a
20		number not less than seven for weekly premium
21		policies, ten for monthly premium policies, and
22		thirty-one for all other policies) days will be

1			granted for the payment of each premium falling
2			due after the first premium, during which grace
3	* <b>*</b>		period the policy shall continue in force[-]";
4		(B)	A policy that contains a cancellation provision
5			may add at the end of the [above] provision[+]
6	. •		required by subparagraph (A): "subject to the
7			right of the insurer to cancel in accordance with
8			the cancellation provision[-] "; and
9	· ·	(C)	A policy in which the insurer reserves the right
10			to refuse any renewal shall have at the beginning
11			of the [above] provision[+] required by
12			subparagraph (A): "Unless not less than thirty
13			days prior to the premium due date the insurer
14			has delivered to the insured or has mailed to the
15			insured's last address as shown by the records of
16			the insurer written notice of its intention not
17			to renew this policy beyond the period for which
18			the premium has been accepted [-] ";
19	(4)	(A)	"Reinstatement: If any renewal premium is not
20			paid within the time granted to the insured for
21			payment, a subsequent acceptance of premium by
22			the insurer or by any agent duly authorized by

1	the insurer to accept the premium, without
2	requiring in connection therewith an application
3	for reinstatement, shall reinstate the policy;
4	provided that if the insurer or agent requires an
5	application for reinstatement and issues a
6	conditional receipt for the premium tendered, the
7	policy shall be reinstated upon approval of the
8	application by the insurer or, lacking approval,
9	upon the forty-fifth day following the date of
10	conditional receipt unless the insurer has
11	previously notified the insured in writing of its
12	disapproval of the application. The reinstated
13	policy shall cover only loss resulting from
14	accidental injury as may be sustained after the
15	date of reinstatement and loss due to sickness as
16	may begin more than ten days after that date. In
17	all other respects the insured and insurer shall
18	have the same rights as they had under the policy
19	immediately before the due date of the defaulted
20	premium, subject to any provisions endorsed
21	hereon or attached hereto in connection with the
22	reinstatement. Any premium accepted in

1		connection with the reinstatement shall be
2		applied to a period for which premium has not
3		been previously paid, but not to any period more
4		than sixty days prior to the date of
5		reinstatement [-] "; and
6	(B)	The last sentence in subparagraph (A) may be
7		omitted from any policy that the insured has the
8		right to continue in force subject to its terms
9		by the timely payment of premiums until at least
10		age fifty or, in the case of a policy issued
11		after age forty-four, for at least five years
12		from its date of issue[-];
13	(5) (A)	"Notice of Claim: Written notice of claim [must]
14		shall be given to the insurer within twenty days
15		after the occurrence or commencement of any loss
16		covered by the policy, or as soon thereafter as
17		is reasonably possible. Notice given by or on
18		behalf of the insured or the beneficiary to the
19		insurer at (insert the location of the office as
20		the insurer may designate for the purpose) or to
21		any authorized agent of the insurer, with

, 1		information sufficient to identify the insured,
2		shall be deemed notice to the insurer[-] "; and
3	(B)	In a policy providing a loss of time benefit that
4		may be payable for at least two years, an insurer
5		may at its option insert the following between
6		the first and second sentences in subparagraph
7		(A): "Subject to the qualification set forth
8		below, if the insured suffers loss of time on
9		account of disability for which indemnity may be
10		payable for at least two years, the insured
11		shall, at least once in every six months after
12		having given notice of claim, give to the insurer
13		notice of continuance of the disability, except
14		in the event of legal incapacity. The period of
15		six months following any filing of proof by the
16		insured or any payment by the insurer on account
17		of the claim or any denial of liability in whole
18		or in part by the insurer shall be excluded in
19		applying this provision. Delay in giving notice
20		shall not impair the insured's right to any
21		indemnity which would otherwise have accrued

1		during the period of six months preceding the
2		date on which notice is actually given[-]";
3	(6)	"Claim Forms: The insurer, upon receipt of a notice
4		of claim, will furnish to the claimant [the] any
5		forms $[\tau]$ that are usually furnished by it for filing
6		proofs of loss. If the forms are not furnished within
7		fifteen days after the giving of notice the claimant
8		shall be deemed to have complied with the requirements
9		of this policy as to proof of loss upon submitting,
10		within the time fixed in the policy for filing proofs
11		of loss, written proof covering the occurrence, the
12		character, and the extent of the loss for which claim
13		is made[-]";
14	(7)	"Proofs of Loss: In case of claim for loss for which
15		this policy provides any periodic payment contingent
16		upon continuing loss, written proof of loss must be
17		furnished to the insurer at its office within ninety
18		days after the termination of the period for which the
19		insurer is liable, and in case of claim for any other
20		loss within ninety days after the date of loss.
21		Failure to furnish proof of loss within the time
22		required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if

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1		it was not reasonably possible to give proof within
2		the time required, provided proof is furnished as soon
3		as reasonably possible and in no event, except [in]
4		the absence of legal capacity, later than fifteen
5		months from the time proof is otherwise required [-] ";
6	(8)	"Time of Payment of Claims: Indemnities payable under
7		this policy for any loss other than loss for which
8		this policy provides any periodic payment [will] shall
9		be paid immediately upon receipt of due written proof
10		of loss. Subject to due written proof of loss, all
11		accrued indemnities for loss for which this policy
12		provides periodic payment [will] shall be paid (insert
13		period for payment which must not be less frequently
14		than monthly) and any balance remaining unpaid upon
15		the termination of liability [will] shall be paid
16		immediately upon receipt of due written proof [-] ";
17	(9)	(A) "Payment of Claims: Indemnity for loss of life
18		[will] shall be payable in accordance with the
19		beneficiary designation and the provisions
20		respecting payment which may be prescribed herein
21		and effective at the time of payment. If no
22		designation or provision is then effective, the

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1		indemnity shall be payable to the estate of the
2		insured. Any other accrued indemnities unpaid at
3		the insured's death may, at the option of the
4		insurer, be paid either to the designated
5		beneficiary or to the estate of the insured. All
6		other indemnities [will] shall be payable to the
7		insured[+]"; and
8	(B)	[The] Either or both of the following
9		provisions[, or either of them,] may be included
10		with the provision set forth in subparagraph (A)
11		at the option of the insurer:
12		(i) "If any indemnity of this policy shall be
13		payable to the estate of the insured, or to
14		an insured or beneficiary who is a minor or
15		otherwise not competent to give a valid
16		release, the insurer may pay the indemnity,
17		up to an amount not exceeding \$2,000 to any
18		relative by blood or connection by marriage
19		of the insured or beneficiary who is deemed
20		by the insurer to be equitably entitled
21		thereto. Any payment made by the insurer in
22		good faith pursuant to this provision shall

1		fully discharge the insurer to the extent of
2		the payment [-] "; and
.3	(ii)	"Subject to any written direction of the
4		insured in the application or otherwise all
5		or a portion of any indemnities provided by
6		this policy on account of hospital, nursing,
7		medical, or surgical services may, at the
8		insurer's option and unless the insured
9		requests otherwise in writing not later than
10		the time of filing proofs of loss, be paid
11		directly to the hospital or person rendering
12		the services; but it is not required that
13		the service be rendered by a particular
14		hospital or person[-]":
15	(10) "Physical	Examinations and Autopsy: The insurer at
16	its own e	xpense shall have the right and opportunity
17	to examine	e the person of the insured when and as often
18	as it may	reasonably require during the pendency of a
19	claim here	eunder and to make an autopsy in case of
20	death whe	re it is not forbidden by law[-]";
21	(11) "Legal Act	tions: No action at law or in equity shall
22	be brough	t to recover on this policy prior to the

1	expiration of sixty days after written proof of loss
2	has been furnished in accordance with the requirements
3	of this policy. No action at law or in equity shall
4	be brought after the expiration of three years after
5	the time written proof of loss is required to be
6	furnished[-]"; and
7	(12) (A) "Change of Beneficiary: Unless the insured makes
8	an irrevocable designation of beneficiary, the
9	right to change [of] the beneficiary is reserved
10	to the insured and the consent of the beneficiary
11	or beneficiaries shall not be requisite to
12	surrender or assignment of this policy or to any
13	change of beneficiary or beneficiaries, or to any
14	other changes in this policy[-]"; and
15	(B) The first clause of subparagraph (A), relating to
16	the irrevocable designation of beneficiary, may
17	be omitted at the insurer's option."
18	16. By amending section 431:10A-106 to read:
19	"§431:10A-106 Optional provisions. Except as provided in
20	section 431:10A-107, no policy of accident and health or
21	sickness insurance delivered or issued for delivery to any
22	person in this [State] state shall contain the provisions set
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1	forth	below	unless	the	provisions	are	in	the	words	in	which	they

- 2 appear below; provided that the insurer may substitute
- 3 corresponding provisions of different wording [approved-by the
- 4 commissioner] certified by an officer of the insurer to be in
- 5 substantial conformance with the wording below that are in each
- 6 instance not less favorable in any respect to the insured or the
- 7 beneficiary. [Such] The provisions listed in this section are
- 8 optional provisions. Any [such provision] of the following
- 9 provisions contained in the policy shall be preceded
- 10 individually by the specified caption or, at the option of the
- 11 insurer, by [such] appropriate individual or group captions or
- 12 subcaptions [as the commissioner may approve.] substantially
- 13 similar to the specified caption. The provisions are as
- 14 follows:
- 15 (1) "Change of Occupation: If the insured is injured or
- 16 contracts sickness after having changed occupations to
- one classified by the insurer as more hazardous than
- 18 that stated in this policy or while doing for
- 19 compensation anything pertaining to an occupation so
- classified, the insurer will pay only [such] the
- 21 portion of the indemnities provided in this policy
- [as] that the premium paid would have purchased at the

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rates and within the limits fixed by the insurer for
the more hazardous occupation. If the insured's
occupation changes to one classified by the insurer as
less hazardous than that stated in this policy, the
insurer, upon receipt of proof of [such] the change of
occupation, will reduce the premium rate accordingly,
and will return the excess pro rata unearned premium
from the date of change of occupation or from the
policy anniversary date immediately preceding receipt
of such proof, whichever is [the] more recent. In
applying this provision, the classification of
occupational risk and the premium shall be [such]
those as have been last filed by the insurer prior to
the occurrence of the loss for which the insurer is
 liable or prior to date of proof of change in
occupation with the state official having supervision
of insurance in the state where the insured resided at
the time this policy was issued; but if [such] a
filing was not required, then the classification of
occupational risk and the premium rates shall be those
last made effective by the insurer in [such] the state
where the insured resided prior to the occurrence of

1		the loss or prior to the date of proof of change in
2		occupation[-]";
3	(2)	"Misstatement of Age: If the age of the insured has
4		been misstated, all amounts payable under this policy
5		shall be such as the premium paid would have purchased
6		at the <u>insured's</u> correct age[-]";
7	(3)	Other insurance in this insurer shall be in one of the
8		following forms:
9		(A) "Other Insurance in This Insurer: If an accident
10		and health or sickness policy or policies
11	. • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	previously issued by the insurer to the insured
12		[be] concurrently in force [concurrently
13		herewith], making the aggregate indemnity for
14		(insert type of coverage or coverages) in excess
15		of \$ (insert maximum limit of indemnity or
16		indemnities) the excess insurance shall be void
17		and all premiums paid for [such] the excess shall
18		be returned to the insured or to the insured's
19		estate[-]"; or
20		(B) "Other Insurance in This Insurer: Insurance
21		effective at any one time on the insured under a
22		like policy or policies in this insurer is

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1		limited to the one [such] policy elected by the
2		insured, the insured's beneficiary, or the
3		insured's estate, as the case may be, and the
4		insurer [will] shall return all premiums paid for
5		all other [such] policies[-]";
6	(4)	Insurance with other insurers. Either or both of the
7		following forms shall be used:
8		(A) (i) "Insurance with Other Insurers: If there be
9		other valid coverage, not with this insurer,
10		providing benefits for the same loss on a
11		provision of service basis or on an expense
12		incurred basis and of which this insurer has
13		not been given written notice prior to the
14		occurrence or commencement of loss, the only
15		liability under any expense incurred
16		coverage of this policy shall be for [such]
17		the proportion of the loss [as the amount
18		which] that would otherwise have been
19		payable [hereunder] plus the total of the
20		like amounts under all [such] the other
21		valid coverages for the same loss of which
22		this insurer had notice bears to the total

1		like amounts under all valid coverages for
2		[such] the loss, and for the return of
3		[such] the portion of the premiums paid as
4		shall exceed the pro rata portion for the
5		amount so determined. For the purpose of
6		applying this provision when other coverage
7 ,		is on a provision of service basis, the like
8		amount of [such] other coverage shall be
9		taken as the amount which the services
10		rendered would have cost in the absence of
11		[such] the other coverage[-]"; and
12	(ii)	"Insurance with Other Insurers: If there be
13		other valid coverage, not with this insurer,
14		providing benefits for the same loss on
15		other than an expense incurred basis and of
16		which this insurer has not been given
17		written notice prior to the occurrence or
18		commencement of loss, the only liability for
19		[such] benefits under this policy shall be
20		for [such] the proportion of the indemnities
21		otherwise provided hereunder for [such] a
22		loss as the like indemnities of which the

<b>1</b> * .	insurer had house (including the
2	indemnities under this policy) bear to the
3	total amount of all the indemnities for
4	[such] the loss, and for the return of
<b>5</b>	[such] the portion of the premium paid as
6	shall exceed the pro rata portion for the
7	indemnities thus determined[-]";
8 (B)	If the provision set forth in subparagraph (A)(i)
9	is included in a policy that also contains the
10	provision set forth in subparagraph (A)(ii),
11	there shall be added to the caption of the
12	subparagraph (A)(i) provision the phrase,
13	"expense incurred benefits[-]";
14 (C)	The insurer may, at its option, include in the
15	provision set forth in subparagraph (A)(i) a
16	definition of other valid coverage, approved as
17	to form by the commissioner, which [definition]
18	shall be limited in subject matter to coverage
19	provided by organizations subject to regulation
20	by insurance law or by insurance authorities of
21	this State or any other state or territory of the
22	United States or any province of Canada, and by

1	hospital or medical service organizations, and to
2	any other coverage the inclusion of which may be
3	approved by the commissioner. In the absence of
4	[such] a definition the term shall not include
5	group insurance, automobile medical payment
6	insurance, or coverage provided by hospital or
7	medical service organizations, union welfare
8	plans, or employer or employee benefit
9	organizations. For the purpose of applying the
10	provision set forth in subparagraph (A)(i) with
11	respect to any insured, any amount of benefit
12	provided for [such] an insured pursuant to any
13	compulsory benefit statute (including any
14	workers' compensation or employers' liability
15	statute), whether provided by a governmental
16	agency or otherwise, shall in all cases be deemed
17	to be other valid coverage of which the insurer
18	has had notice. In applying the provision set
19	forth in subparagraph (A)(i), no third party
20	liability coverage shall be included as other
21	valid coverage[-];

1	(D)	it the provision set forth in subparagraph
2		(A)(ii) is included in a policy that also
3		contains the provision set forth in subparagraph
4		(A)(i), there shall be added to the caption of
5		the subparagraph (A)(ii) provision the phrase,
6		"other benefits" [+] ; and
7	(E)	The insurer may, at its option, include in the
8		provision set forth in subparagraph (A)(ii) a
9		definition of other valid coverage, approved as
10		to form by the commissioner, which [definition]
11		shall be limited in subject matter to coverage
12		provided by organizations subject to regulation
13		by insurance law or by insurance authorities of
14		this [State] state or any other state or
15		territory of the United States or any province of
16		Canada, and to any other coverage the inclusion
17		of which may be approved by the commissioner. In
18		the absence of [such] a definition the term shall
19		not include group insurance, or benefits provided
20		by union welfare plans or employer or employee
21		benefit organizations. For the purpose of
22		applying the provision set forth in subparagraph

1	•		(A) (ii) with respect to any insured, any amount
2			of benefit provided for [such] an insured
3			pursuant to any compulsory benefit statute
4			[+]including any workers' compensation or
5	•		employers' liability statute[+], whether provided
6			by a governmental agency or otherwise, shall in
7			all cases be deemed to be other valid coverage of
8	-		which the insurer has had notice. In applying
9			the provision set forth in subparagraph (A)(ii),
10			no third party liability coverage shall be
11			included as other valid coverage [+] ;
12	(5)	(A)	"Relation of Earnings to Insurance: If the total
13			monthly amount of loss of time benefits promised
14			for the same loss under all valid loss of time
15			coverage upon the insured, whether payable on a
16			weekly or monthly basis, [shall-exceed] exceeds
17			the monthly earnings of the insured at the time
18			disability commenced or the insured's average
19	•		monthly earnings for the period of two years
20			immediately preceding a disability for which
21			claim is made, whichever is [the] greater, the
22			insurer [will] shall be liable only for [such]

1	the proportionate amount of [suen] benefits unde
2	this policy as the amount of [such] the monthly
3	earnings or [such] average monthly earnings of
4	the insured bears to the total amount of monthly
5	benefits for the same loss under all [such]
6	coverage upon the insured at the time [such]
7	disability commences and for the return of [such
8	the part of the premiums paid during [such] the
9	two preceding years as shall exceed the pro rata
10	amount of the premiums for the benefits actually
11	paid hereunder; but this shall not operate to
12	reduce the total monthly amount of benefits
13	payable under all [such] coverage upon the
14	insured below the sum of \$200 or the sum of the
15	monthly benefits specified in [such] the
16	coverages, whichever is the lesser, nor shall it
17	operate to reduce benefits other than those
18	payable for loss of time[-]";
.19 (B)	The policy provision in subparagraph (A) may be
20	inserted only in a policy which the insured has
21	the right to continue in force, subject to its

terms by the timely payment of premiums until at

1		least age fifty or, in the case of a policy
2		issued after age forty-four, for at least five
3		years from its date of issue[-]; and
4	(C)	The insurer may, at its option, include in the
5		provision set forth in subparagraph (A) a
6		definition of valid loss of time coverage
7		approved as to form by the commissioner, which
8		[definition] shall be limited in subject matter
9		to coverage provided by governmental agencies or
10		by organizations subject to regulation by
11		insurance law or by insurance authorities of this
12		[State] state or any state, district, or
13		territory of the United States or any province of
14		Canada, or to any other coverage the inclusion of
15		which may be approved by the commissioner or any
16		combination of [such] approved coverages. In the
17		absence of [such] a definition [such] the terms
18		shall not include any coverage provided for
19		[such] an insured pursuant to any compulsory
20		benefit statute [+] including any workers'
21		compensation or employers' liability statute[+],

1		or benefices provided by union werrare plans of by
2		employer or employee benefit organizations [-];
3.	(6)	"Unpaid Premium: Upon the payment of a claim under
4.		this policy, any premium then due and unpaid or
5		covered by any note or written order may be deducted
6		[therefrom.] from the claim";
7	(7)	"Cancellation: The insurer may cancel this policy at
8		any time by written notice delivered to the insured,
9		or mailed to the insured's last address as shown by
10		the records of the insurer[, stating]. The notice
11		shall state when, not less than five days thereafter,
12		[such] the cancellation shall be effective[; and
13		after] . After the policy has been continued beyond
14		its original term the insured may cancel this policy
15		at any time by written notice delivered or mailed to
16		the insurer, effective upon receipt or on $[such]$ <u>a</u>
17		later date [as may be] specified in [such] the notice.
18		In the event of cancellation, the insurer [will] shall
19		return promptly the unearned portion of any premium
20	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	paid. If the insured cancels, the earned premium
21		shall be computed by the use of the short-rate table
22		last filed with the state official having supervision

. 1		or insurance in the state where the insured resided
2		when the policy was issued. If the insurer cancels,
3		the earned premium shall be computed pro rata.
4		Cancellation shall be without prejudice to any claim
5		originating prior to the effective date of
6		cancellation[-]";
7	(8)	"Conformity with State Statutes: Any provision of
8		this policy which, on its effective date, is in
9		conflict with the statutes of the state in which the
10		insured resides on [such] the effective date is hereby
11		amended to conform to the minimum requirements of
12		[such] the applicable statutes[-]";
13	(9)	"Illegal Occupation: The insurer shall not be liable
14		for any loss to which a contributing cause was the
15		insured's commission of or attempt to commit a felony
16		or to which a contributing cause was the insured's
17		being engaged in an illegal occupation[-] "; and
18	(10)	"Intoxicants and Narcotics: The insurer shall not be
19		liable for any loss sustained or contracted in
20		consequence of the insured's being intoxicated or
21		under the influence of any narcotic unless
22	•	administered on the advice of a physician.""

1 17. By amending section 431:10A-107 to read: 2 "§431:10A-107 Inapplicable or inconsistent provisions. If any provision of section 431:10A-105 to section 431:10A-111 is 3 in whole or in part inapplicable to or inconsistent with the 4 5 coverage provided by a particular form of policy, the insurer[7 6 with the approval of the commissioner, shall omit from [such] 7 the policy any inapplicable provision or part of a provision, and shall modify any inconsistent provision or part of the 8 9 provision [in such manner as] to make the provision [as] contained in the policy consistent with the coverage provided by 10 the policy. An officer of the insurer shall certify conformity 11 12 with the requirements of state statutes in accordance with this 13 section." 18. By amending section 431:10C-210 to read: 14 "\$431:10C-210 Publication of premium rates. 15 The commissioner shall publish annually, in a newspaper of general 16 17 circulation in the [State,] state, notice of availability of a 18 list of all motor vehicle insurers with representative annual 19 premiums for motor vehicle insurance. [In addition, the] The 20 commissioner shall have information on premiums for motor

vehicle insurance which shall be available to the public on

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request."

1	19.	By amending	subsection (d)	of se	ction 43	1:10C-215	to
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2	read:						

3	"(a)(1	) Each insurer licensed to transact motor vehicle
4	. i	nsurance or optional additional insurance business in
5		his [ <del>State</del> ] <u>state</u> shall provide the commissioner with
6	p	eriodic reports on every aspect of the motor vehicle
7	i	nsurance and the optional additional insurance
8	b	usiness the insurer transacts in [the State,] this
9	<u>s</u>	tate, including, but not limited to $[-7]$ reports on the
10	i	nvestment, reserve, reinsurance, loss and profit
11	e	xperience, ratemaking and schedules, claims received
12	a	nd paid; and

frequently than quarterly, maintain a report [to the commissioner] of the details of each claim received, claim paid, application for and sale of a motor vehicle insurance policy, each termination and renewal refusal notice posted, and each cancellation and refusal to renew effected on both motor vehicle insurance and optional additional insurance policy transactions. The insurer shall make available and

1	submit a report to the commissioner at the
2	commissioner's request."
3	20. By amending subsection (a) of section 431:10D-111 to
4	read:
5	"(a) A life insurer may, under [such] policy provisions or
6	agreements [as have been approved by the commissioner consistent
7	with this section], contract for and accept premium deposits in
8	addition to the regular premiums specified in the policy, for
9	the purpose of paying future premiums, [ex] to facilitate
10	conversion of the policy, or to increase the benefits [thereof.]
11	of the policy, according to this section."
12	21. By amending subsection (c) of section 431:10D-603 to
13	read:
14	"(c) If the buyer's guide and disclosure document are not
15	provided at or before the time of application, a free-look
16	period of no less than fifteen days shall be provided for the
17	applicant to return the annuity contract without penalty, which
18	period shall run [concurrently] consecutively with any other
19	free-look period provided by law."
20	22. By amending subsection (b) of section 431:11-101 to

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"(b) The commissioner may exempt:

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read:

1	(1)	Any insurer or class of insurers from any provision of
2		this article, when the commissioner deems the
3		exemption consistent with the purposes of this article
4		and in the public interest; or
5	(2)	Upon request of the person required to supply
6		information or perform an act, that person from any
7		provision of this article, when the commissioner deems
8		the exception consistent with the purposes of this
9	•	article and in the public interest."
10	23.	By amending subsection (a) of section 431:11-106 to
11	read:	
12	"(a)	(1) Transactions within a holding company system to
13		which an insurer subject to registration is a party
14		shall be subject to the following standards:
15		(A) The terms shall be fair and reasonable;
16		(B) Charges or fees for services performed shall be
17		reasonable;
18		(C) Expenses incurred and payment received shall be
19		allocated to the insurer in conformity with
20		customary insurance accounting practices
21		consistently applied;

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1		(D) The books, accounts, and records of each party to
2		all transactions shall be maintained so as to
3		clearly and accurately disclose the nature and
4		details of the transactions including the
5		accounting information necessary to support the
6		reasonableness of the charges or fees to the
7		respective parties; and
8		(E) The insurer's surplus as regards policyholders
9		following any dividends or distributions to
10		shareholder affiliates shall be reasonable in
11		relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities
12		and adequate to its financial needs $[-]_{\underline{i}}$
13	(2)	The following transactions involving a domestic
14		insurer and any person in its holding company system
15		[may] shall not be entered into unless the insurer has
16		notified the commissioner in writing of its intention
17		to enter into the transaction at least thirty days
18		prior thereto, or a shorter period as the commissioner
19		may permit, and the commissioner has not disapproved
20		it within that period: ,
21		(A) Sales, purchases, exchanges, loans[ $_{\tau}$ ] or
22		extensions of credit, guarantees, or investments;

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1		provided that the transactions are equal to or
2		exceed:
3		(i) With respect to nonlife insurers, the lesses
4		of three per cent of the insurer's admitted
5		assets or twenty-five per cent of surplus as
6		regards policyholders each as of the thirty
7		first day of December next preceding; or
8		(ii) With respect to life insurers, three per
9		cent of the insurer's admitted assets as of
10		the thirty-first day of December next
11		preceding;
12	(B)	Loans or extensions of credit to any person who
13		is not an affiliate, where the insurer makes the
14		loans or extensions of credit with the agreement
15		or understanding that the proceeds of the
16		transactions, in whole or in substantial part,
17		are to be used to make loans or extensions of
18		credit to, to purchase assets of, or to make
19		investments in, any affiliate of the insurer
20		making the loans or extensions of credit;
21		provided that the transactions are equal to or
22	· .	exceed:

. 1	(1)	with respect to no	nille insurers	, the lesser
2		of three per cent	of the insurer	's admitted
3		assets or twenty-f	ive per cent o	f surplus as
4		regards policyholo	lers each as of	the thirty-
5		first day of Decem	ber next prece	ding; or
6	(ii)	With respect to li	fe insurers, t	hree per
7		cent of the insure	er's admitted a	ssets as of
.8		the thirty-first o	lay of December	next
9		preceding;		
10	(C) Reins	surance agreements	or modification	ns thereto
11	in wl	nich the reinsurand	e premium or a	change in
12	the :	insurer's liabilit	es equals or e	xceeds five
13	per o	cent of the insure	s's surplus as	regards
14	polic	cyholders, as of th	ne thirty-first	day of
15	Decem	mber next preceding	, including th	ose
16	agree	ements which may re	equire as consi	deration the
17	trans	sfer of assets from	an insurer to	a
18	nonaí	filiate, if an agr	reement or unde	rstanding
19	exist	s between the insu	rer and nonaff	iliate that
20	any r	portion of the asse	ets will be tra	nsferred to
21	one o	or more affiliates	of the insurer	<b>;</b>

•		(b) All management agreements, betvice contracts, and
2		all cost-sharing arrangements; and
3		(E) Any material transactions, specified by rule,
4		which the commissioner determines may adversely
5		affect the interests of the insurer's
6		policyholders.
7	; ·	Nothing in this section shall be deemed to authorize
8		or permit any transactions which, in the case of an
9		insurer not a member of the same holding company
10		system, would be otherwise contrary to law[-];
11	(3)	A domestic insurer may not enter into transactions $[\tau]$
12		which are part of a plan or series of like
13		transactions with persons within the holding company
14		system[7] if the purpose of those separate
15		transactions is to avoid the statutory threshold
16		amount and thus avoid the review that would otherwise
17		occur. If the commissioner determines that the
18		separate transactions were entered into over any
19		twelve-month period for that purpose, the commissioner
20		may exercise the commissioner's authority under
21		section 431:11-111[-] <u>;</u>

1	(4)	The commissioner, in reviewing transactions pursuant
2		to subsection (a)(2), shall consider whether the
3		transactions comply with the standards set forth in
4		subsection (a)(1) and whether they may adversely
5		affect the interests of policyholders[-]; and
6	(5)	The commissioner shall be notified within thirty days
7		of any investment of the domestic insurer in any one
8		[corporation] person if the total investment in the
9		[corporation] person by the insurance holding company
10		system exceeds ten per cent of the corporation's
11		voting securities."
12	24.	By amending subsection (f) of section 431:13-103 to
13	read:	
14	"(f)	An insurer or licensee shall issue a written response
15	with reaso	onable promptness, in no case more than fifteen working
16	days, to a	any written inquiry made by the commissioner regarding
17	a claim [	er], consumer complaint[-], or sales or marketing
18	practice.	The response shall be more than an acknowledgment
19	that the	commissioner's communication has been received, and
20	shall adeo	quately address the concerns stated in the
21	communicat	tion."

1	25.	By amending subsection (b) of section 431:19-107 to
2	read:	
3	" (b)	Each class 3 captive insurance company shall annuall
4	file with	the commissioner the following:
5	(1)	Annual statement and audit:
6		(A) On or before March 1, or such day subsequent
7		thereto as the commissioner upon request and for
8		cause may specify, an annual statement using the
9		National Association of Insurance Commissioners'
10		annual statement blank plus any additional
11		information required by the commissioner, which
12		shall be a true statement of its financial
13		condition, transactions, and affairs as of the
14		immediately preceding December 31. The reported
15		information shall be verified by oaths of at
16		least two of the captive's principal officers;
17		(B) On or before June 1, or such day subsequent
18		thereto as the commissioner upon request and for
19		cause may specify, an audit by a designated
20		independent certified public accountant or
21		accounting firm of the financial statements

1		reporting the financial condition and results of
2		the operation of the captive; and
3		(C) The annual statement and audit shall be prepared
4		in accordance with the National Association of
. 5		Insurance Commissioners' annual statement
6		instructions, accounting practices and procedures
7		manual, and rules adopted by the commissioner
8		following the [practice] practices and procedures
9		prescribed by the National Association of
10		Insurance [Commissioners   practices and
11		procedures manuals; Commissioners; and
12	(2)	On or before each March 1, or such day subsequent
13		thereto as the commissioner upon request and for cause
14		may specify, a risk-based capital report in accordance
15		with section 431:3-402; provided that a class 3
16		association captive insurance company shall not be
17		required to file risk-based capital reports with the
18		National Association of Insurance Commissioners."
19	26.	By amending the definition of "member" in section
20	431:30-10	2 to read:

1	""Member" means the [person chosen by] commissioner of a
2	compacting state, as its representative to the commission, or
3	the [person's] commissioner's designee."
4	27. By amending subsection (d) of section 431:30-112 to
5	read:
6	"(d) A compacting state may opt out of a uniform standard
7	either by legislation or by rule adopted by the insurance
8	commissioner. If a compacting state elects to opt out of a
9	uniform standard by rule, it shall:
10	(1) Give written notice to the commission no later than
11	ten business days after the later of the adoption of
12	the uniform standard or the state becoming a
13	compacting state; [and]
14	(2) Find that the uniform standard does not provide
15	reasonable protections to the citizens of the state,
16	given the conditions in the state. The commissioner
17	shall make specific findings of fact and conclusions
18	of law, based on a preponderance of the evidence,
19	detailing the conditions in the state that warrant a
20	departure from the uniform standard and determining
21	that the uniform standard would not reasonably protec

the citizens of the state. The commissioner shall

. 1	•	consider and balance the following factors and find
2		that the conditions in the state and needs of the
3		citizens of the state outweigh:
4		(A) The intent of the legislature to participate in,
5		and reap the benefits of, an interstate agreement
6	•	to establish national uniform consumer
7		protections for the products subject to this
8		[Act;] article; and
9		(B) The presumption that a uniform standard adopted
10		by the commission provides reasonable protections
11	V.	to consumers of the relevant product.
12		Notwithstanding the foregoing, a compacting state may,
13		at the time of its enactment of this compact,
14		prospectively opt out of all uniform standards
15		involving long-term care insurance products by
16		expressly providing for such opt out in the enacted
17		compact, and such an opt out shall not be treated as a
18		material variance in the offer or acceptance of any
19		state to participate in this compact. [Such an] An
20		opt out pursuant to this section shall be effective at
21		the time of enactment of this compact by the

compacting state and shall apply to all existing

.1	•	difficing scandards involving fong-term care insurance
2		products and those subsequently adopted [-]; and
3	(3)	In accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2),
4		this State does prospectively opt out of all uniform
5		standards involving long-term care insurance products
6		promulgated by the commission, as this State has
7		previously enacted article 10H providing additional
8		standards for federal conformity and universal
9	•	availability for reciprocal beneficiary and multi-
10		generation populace which facilitates flexibility and
11		innovation in the development of long-term care
12		insurance coverage."
13	SECT	ION 2. Section 432:1-404, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
15	"(a)	Each society shall file with the commissioner
16	annually,	on or before March 1 in each year, a statement under
17	oath, and	in such form and detail as the commissioner shall
18	prescribe	; provided that any association or society organized
19	and opera	ting as a nonprofit medical indemnity or hospital
20	service a	ssociation shall file a report with the commissioner
21	covering	the preceding calendar year and verified by at least
22	two princ	ipal officers. Each mutual benefit society shall file
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1	quarterly	with	the	commissioner,	on	or	before	the	forty	-fifth

- 2 day after each quarter, a copy of its quarterly report verified
- 3 by at least two principal officers. The report shall comply
- 4 with sections 431:3-301 and 431:3-302. The commissioner may
- 5 prescribe the forms on which the report is to be filed.
- 6 In addition, any association or society organized and
- 7 operating as a nonprofit medical indemnity or hospital service
- 8 association annually shall file with the commissioner the
- 9 following by the dates specified:
- 10 (1) An audit, by an independent certified public 11 accountant or an accounting firm designated by the 12 association or society, of the financial statements, reporting the financial condition and results of 13 14 operations of the association or society on or before 15 June 1, or a later date as the commissioner upon 16 request or for cause may specify. The association or **17** society, on an annual basis and prior to the 18 commencement of the audit, shall notify the 19 commissioner in writing of the name and address of the 20 person or firm retained to conduct the annual audit. 21 The commissioner may disapprove the association's or 22 society's designation within fifteen days of receipt

1,		of the association's or society's notice, and the
2		association or society shall be required to designate
3		another independent certified public accountant or
4		accounting firm. The audit required [in] by this
5		paragraph shall be prepared in accordance with the
6		National Association of Insurance Commissioners'
7		[annual statement instructions,] accounting practices
8		and procedures manual and rules adopted by the
9		commissioner following the practices and procedures
10		prescribed by the National Association of Insurance
11		[Commissioners accounting practices and procedures
12		manuals; Commissioners; and
13	(2)	A description of the available grievance procedures,
14		the total number of grievances handled through those
15		procedures, a compilation of the causes underlying
16		those grievances, and a summary of the final
17		disposition of those grievances on or before March 1.
18	SECT	ION 3. Section 432D-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
20	" (a)	Every health maintenance organization shall file
21	annually,	on or before March 1, a report verified by at least
22	two princ	ipal officers covering the preceding calendar year.

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- 1 Each health maintenance organization shall file quarterly with
- 2 the commissioner, on or before the forty-fifth day after each
- 3 quarter, a copy of its quarterly report verified by at least two
- 4 principal officers. These reports shall comply with sections
- 5 431:3-301 and 431:3-302. The commissioner may prescribe the
- 6 forms on which the reports are to be filed. In addition, the
- 7 health maintenance organization annually shall file with the
- 8 commissioner the following by the dates specified:
- 9 (1) An audit, by an independent certified public 10 accountant or an accounting firm designated by the 11 health maintenance organization of the financial 12 statements, reporting the financial condition and 13 results of operations of the health maintenance 14 organization on or before June 1, or a later date as 15 the commissioner upon request or for cause may specify. The health maintenance organization, on an 16 17 annual basis and prior to the commencement of the 18 audit, shall notify the commissioner in writing of the 19 name and address of the person or firm retained to conduct the annual audit. The commissioner may 20 21 disapprove the health maintenance organization's 22 designation within fifteen days of receipt of the

1	•	health maintenance organization's notice, and the
2		health maintenance organization shall be required to
3		designate another independent certified public
4		accountant or accounting firm. The audit required
5		[in] by this paragraph shall be prepared in accordance
6		with the National Association of Insurance
7		Commissioners' [annual statement instructions,]
8	•	accounting practices and procedures manual and rules
9		adopted by the commissioner following the practices
10		and procedures prescribed by the National Association
11		of Insurance [Commissioners-accounting practices and
12		procedures manuals; Commissioners;
13	(2)	A list of the providers who have executed a contract
14		that complies with section 432D-8(d) on or before
15		March 1; and
16	(3)	A description of the available grievance procedures,
17		the total number of grievances handled through those
18		procedures, a compilation of the causes underlying
19		those grievances, and a summary of the final
20		disposition of those grievances on or before March 1."
21	SECT	ION 4. Section 431:30-105, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
22	repealed.	

1	["{\$431:30-105} Appointment to commission. The governor,
2	with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint the
3	member of the commission that represents the State."]
4	SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
5	SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2010.
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APPROVED this

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII