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
- 2 amended by adding a new section to part I of article 10C to be
- 3 appropriately designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "§431:10C- Payment of general excise tax and certificate
- 5 of ownership fee on third party claims. (a) When a motor
- 6 vehicle insurer settles a total loss motor vehicle damage
- 7 liability claim with a third-party claimant, the insurer shall
- 8 pay the applicable general excise tax and certificate of
- 9 ownership fee, subject to section 663-31; provided that if the
- 10 third-party claimant cannot substantiate the purchase and the
- 11 payment of the general excise tax and certificate of ownership
- 12 fee by submitting to the insurer appropriate documentation
- 13 within thirty-three days after the receipt of settlement, the
- 14 insurer shall not be required to reimburse the third-party
- 15 claimant for the tax or fee.
- (b) In lieu of the procedure in subsection (a), the
- insurer may directly pay the required general excise tax and



1	certificate of ownership fee to the third-party claimant at the
2	time of settlement.
3	(c) An insurer's obligation to reimburse a third-party
4	claimant for the applicable general excise tax and certificate
5	of ownership fee as set forth in this section shall be subject
6	to the property damage liability limit of the policy."
7	SECTION 2. Section 431:2-403, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
9	"(b) Violation of subsection (a) is a criminal offense and
10	shall constitute:
11	(1) A class B felony if the value of the benefits,
12	recovery, or compensation obtained or attempted to be
13	obtained [is more than] exceeds \$20,000;
14	(2) A class C felony if the value of the benefits,
15	recovery, or compensation obtained or attempted to be
16	obtained [is more than \$300;] exceeds \$750; or
17	(3) A misdemeanor if the value of the benefits, recovery,
18	or compensation obtained or attempted to be obtained
19	is [\$300 or less.] not in excess of \$750."
20	SECTION 3. Section 431:3-212, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	amended to read as follows:

1	"§431	.:3-2	12 Application for authority. To apply for an
2	original c	erti	ficate of authority, an insurer shall[+] file with
3	the commis	sion	er a Uniform Certificate of Authority Application
4	from the N	Natio	nal Association of Insurance Commissioners that
5	shall set	fort	h or be accompanied by all of the following:
6	(1)	[Fil	e with the commissioner its] The insurer's request
7		show	ing:
8		(A)	Its name, in compliance with sections 431:3-
9			202(b) and 431:4-104(d)(1), home office location,
10			type of insurer, organization date, [and] state
11			or country of its domicile, and name and location
12			of the principal office of its attorney-in-fact.
13			if a reciprocal insurer;
14		(B)	The classes of insurance it proposes to transact;
15			and
16		(C)	Additional information as the commissioner may
17			reasonably require[+].
18	(2)	[Fil	e with the commissioner: Documents including the
19		<u>foll</u>	owing:
20		(A)	A copy of its charter as amended or [such copy]
21			certified by the proper public officer of the

1		state or country of domicile, if a foreign or
2		alien insurer;
3	(B)	A copy of its bylaws as amended, certified by its
4		proper officer;
5	(C)	A copy of its annual statement as of December 31
6		last preceding;
7	(D)	An appointment of the commissioner as its
8		attorney to receive service of legal process, if
9		a foreign or alien insurer $[\tau]$ or a domestic
10		reciprocal insurer;
11	(E)	The name and business address of its authorized
12		resident agent upon whom process may be served in
13		all cases, if a foreign or alien insurer;
14	(F)	A copy of the appointment and authority of its
15		United States manager, certified by its proper
16		officer, if an alien insurer;
17	(G)	A certificate from the proper public official of
18		its state or country of domicile showing that it
19		is duly organized and [is] authorized to transact
20		the classes of insurance proposed to be
21		transacted, if a foreign or alien insurer;

1	(H)	The declaration required by section 431:4-409, if
2		a domestic reciprocal insurer;
3	(I)	[Certificate] A certificate of the proper public
4		official as to any deposit made or held in
5		compliance with this code;
6	(L)	[Copy A copy of the report of the last
7		examination made of the insurer certified by the
8		insurance supervisory official of its state of
9		domicile or entry into the United States, if a
10		foreign or alien insurer; and
11	(K)	Other documents or stipulations as the
12		commissioner may reasonably require to evidence
13		compliance with this code[; and].
14	(3) [Dep	osit] A deposit with the commissioner of the
15	appr	opriate fees required by this code."
16	SECTION 4	. Section 431:3-212.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
17	is amended by	amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
18	"(b) Eac	h transferring insurer shall file new policy forms
19	on or before t	he effective date of the transfer, if such forms
20	are required t	o be approved by the commissioner. The insurer
21	may use existi	ng policy forms with appropriate endorsements if

1	permitted	by[7	and under such conditions as approved by,] the
2	commission	ner.	Every [such] transferring insurer shall notify
3	the commis	ssion	er of the details of the proposed transfer and
4	shall file	e pro	mptly a Uniform Certificate of Authority
5	Application	on fo	\underline{r} any resulting amendments to corporate documents
6	filed or a	requi	red to be filed with the commissioner."
7	SECT	ION 5	. Section 431:7-101, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended by	y ame	nding subsection (a) to read as follows:
9	"(a)	The	commissioner shall collect, in advance, the
10	following	fees	:
11	(1)	Cert	ificate of authority:
12		(A)	Application for $[a]$ certificate of authority . \$900
13		(B)	Issuance of certificate of authority \$600
14		<u>(C)</u>	Application for motor vehicle self-insurance . \$300
15	(2)	Orga	nization of domestic insurers and affiliated
16		corp	orations:
17		(A)	Application for [a] solicitation permit \$1,500
18		(B)	Issuance of solicitation permit\$150
19	(3)	Prod	ucer's license:
20		(A)	Issuance[7] of regular license\$50
21		(B)	Issuance[7] of temporary license

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1	(4)	Nonresident producer's license: Issuance \$75
2	(5)	Independent adjuster's license: Issuance \$75
3	(6)	Public adjuster's license: Issuance \$75
4	(7)	Claims adjuster's limited license: Issuance \$75
5	(8)	Independent bill reviewer's license:
6		Issuance \$80
7	(9)	Limited producer's license: Issuance \$60
8	(10)	Managing general agent's license: Issuance \$75
9	(11)	Reinsurance intermediary's license:
10		Issuance \$75
11	(12)	Surplus lines broker's license: Issuance \$150
12	(13)	Service contract provider's registration:
13		Issuance \$75
14	(14)	Approved course provider certificate:
15		Issuance \$100
16	(15)	Approved continuing education course certificate:
17		Issuance \$30
18	(16)	Vehicle protection product warrantor's registration:
19		Issuance\$75

1	(17)	Criminal history record check; fingerprinting: For
2		each criminal history record check and fingerprinting
3		check, a fee to be established by the commissioner.
4	(18)	Limited line motor vehicle rental company producer's
5		license: Issuance\$1,000
6	(19)	Legal service plan certificate of authority:
7		Issuance before July 1, 2014\$1,000
8		Issuance on or after July 1, 2014 \$500
9	(20)	Life settlement provider's license:
10		Issuance before July 1, 2014 \$150
11		Issuance on or after July 1, 2014 \$75
12	(21)	Life settlement broker's license:
13		Issuance before July 1, 2014 \$150
14		Issuance on or after July 1, 2014 \$75
15	(22)	Examination for license: For each examination, a fee
16		to be established by the commissioner."
17	SECT	ION 6. Section 431:9-201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18	amended b	y amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
19	"(b)	Notwithstanding subsection (a), following a
20	[catastro	phe in this State, declaration by the commissioner
21	authorizi	ng assistance of nonresident adjusters, a Hawaji

1	license si	hall not be required of a nonresident adjuster for the
2	adjustment	of losses; provided that:
3	(1)	The common losses suffered that are to be adjusted are
4		a direct result of [the catastrophe] an event and
5		[shall be] are so severe that licensed adjusters and
6		licensed independent adjusters who are residents of
7		this State will be unable to adjust the losses within
8		a reasonable time as determined by the commissioner;
9	(2)	The nonresident adjuster provides [to] the
10		commissioner a certified copy of the adjuster's
11		current license in another state. The other state
12		shall have substantially similar licensing
13		requirements to section 431:9-222; and
14	(3)	Within three working days of the commencement of work
15		by the nonresident adjuster, the insurance company,
16		independent adjusting company, or producer that is
17		using the adjuster shall provide on its letterhead to
18		the commissioner:
19		(A) The name of the nonresident adjuster;
20		(B) The nonresident adjuster's Hawaii mailing and
21		business addresses and phone numbers; and

1	(C) The nonresident adjuster's permanent home and
2	business addresses and phone numbers.
3	Upon satisfaction of all of these requirements, the
4	nonresident adjuster may be registered with the commissioner and
5	adjust [catastrophic] the event's losses in this State for up to
6	one hundred twenty days from the date of registration or for a
7	period of time determined by the commissioner, whichever is
8	less.
9	As used in this subsection, ["catastrophe"] "event" means
10	insured property losses in Hawaii that result from a sudden,
11	specific, and natural or manmade disaster or phenomenon, as
12	determined by the commissioner."
13	SECTION 7. Section 431:9A-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended by amending the definition of "terminate" to read as
15	follows:
16	""Terminate" means:
17	(1) To cancel the relationship between an insurance
18	producer and an insurer; or
19	[(2) To cancel the relationship between an appointing
20	producer and another producer; or

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         (3) [2) To terminate a producer's authority to transact
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              insurance."
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         SECTION 8. Section 431:9A-114, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended to read as follows:
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         "§431:9A-114 Appointments. (a) An insurance producer
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    shall not act as an agent of an insurer unless the [insurance]
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    producer becomes an appointed agent of that insurer [or is
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    contracted with and appointed by an insurance producer so
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    appointed].
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         (b) To appoint a producer as its agent, the [appointing]
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    insurer [or producer] shall file, in a format approved by the
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    commissioner, a notice of appointment within fifteen days from
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    the date the agency or business entity contract is executed or
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    the first insurance application is submitted to the insurer [or
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    producer]. If the appointment form is not received by the
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    commissioner within the fifteen-day period, the appointment
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    shall become effective on the date on which the commissioner
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    receives the appointment form. A producer shall disclose to a
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    client if the conditions of subsection (a) have not been met.
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    An insurer [or producer] may also elect to appoint a producer to
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    all or some insurers within the insurer's [or producer's]
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- 1 holding company system or group by filing with the commissioner
- 2 a single appointment notice.
- 3 (c) Upon receipt of the notice of appointment and within a
- 4 reasonable time not to exceed thirty days, the commissioner
- 5 shall verify that the [insurance] producer is eligible for
- 6 appointment. If the [insurance] producer is determined to be
- 7 ineligible for appointment, the commissioner shall notify the
- 8 appointing insurer [or producer] within five days of its
- 9 determination.
- 10 (d) An appointing insurer [or producer] shall pay an
- 11 appointment fee, in the amount and method of payment set forth
- 12 in article 7, for each [insurance] producer appointed by the
- 13 appointing insurer [or producer].
- 14 (e) An appointing insurer [or producer] shall remit, in a
- 15 manner prescribed by the commissioner, a renewal appointment fee
- 16 in the amount set forth in article 7."
- 17 SECTION 9. Section 431:9A-115, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 "§431:9A-115 Notification to commissioner of termination.
- 20 (a) An insurer[-] or its authorized representative [of the
- 21 insurer, or a producer] that terminates the appointment,

- 1 employment, contract, or other insurance business relationship
- 2 with a producer shall notify the commissioner within thirty days
- 3 following the effective date of the termination, using the
- 4 applicable format prescribed by the commissioner. An insurer[7]
- 5 an] or its authorized representative [of the insurer, or a
- 6 producer who] that terminates a producer for one of the reasons
- 7 set forth in section 431:9A-112, or [who] that has knowledge the
- 8 producer was found by a court, governmental body, or self-
- 9 regulatory organization to have engaged in any of the activities
- 10 in section 431:9A-112, shall use the particular format for that
- 11 situation as prescribed by the commissioner. Upon the written
- 12 request of the commissioner, [the] an insurer or its authorized
- 13 representative that terminates a producer shall provide
- 14 additional information, documents, records, or other data
- 15 pertaining to the termination or activity of the producer.
- (b) [The] An insurer[, an] or its authorized
- 17 representative [of the insurer, or] that terminates a producer
- 18 shall promptly notify the commissioner in a format acceptable to
- 19 the commissioner if, upon further review or investigation, the
- 20 insurer [, an] or its authorized representative [of the insurer,
- 21 or a producer] discovers additional information that would have

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- 1 been reportable to the commissioner in accordance with
- 2 subsection (a), had the insurer $[\tau]$ or its authorized
- 3 representative [of the insurer, or producer then] known of its
- 4 existence.
- 5 (c) [The] An insurer[T] and its authorized representative
- 6 [of the insurer, and the] that terminate a producer are subject
- 7 to the following:
- 8 Within fifteen days after making the notification (1)required by subsections (a) and (b), the insurer $[\tau]$ or 9 10 its authorized representative [of the insurer, or the 11 producer] shall mail a copy of the notification to the 12 producer at the producer's last known address. 13 producer is terminated for any of the causes listed in 14 section 431:9A-112, the insurer $[\tau]$ or its authorized 15 representative [of the insurer, or the producer] shall 16 provide a copy of the notification to the producer at 17 the producer's last known address by certified mail, 18 return receipt requested, postage prepaid or by 19 overnight delivery using a nationally recognized 20 carrier.

1	(2)	within thirty days after the producer has received the
2		original or additional notification, the producer may
3		file written comments concerning the substance of the
4		notification with the commissioner. The producer, by
5		the same means, shall simultaneously send a copy of
6		the comments to the reporting insurer[7] or its
7		authorized representative [of the insurer, or the
8		<pre>producer], and the comments shall become [a] part of</pre>
9		the commissioner's file and shall accompany every copy
10		of a report distributed or disclosed for any reason
11		about the producer as permitted under subsection
12		[(e).] <u>(f).</u>
13	(d)	A producer initiating the termination is subject to
14	the follo	wing:
15	(1)	Within fifteen days after making the notification
16		required by subsection (a), the producer shall mail a
17		copy of the notification to the insurer at the
18		insurer's last known address.
19	(2)	Within thirty days after the insurer has received the
20		original or additional notification, the insurer may
21		file written comments concerning the substance of the

1	notification with the commissioner. The insurer, by
2	the same means, shall simultaneously send a copy of
3	the comments to the producer, and the comments shall
4	become part of the commissioner's file and shall
5	accompany every copy of a report distributed or
6	disclosed for any reason about the insurer as
7	permitted under subsection (f).
8	$[\frac{(d)}{(d)}]$ (e) Immunity from civil liability for notification
9	applies as follows:
10	(1) In the absence of actual malice, an insurer, the
11	insurer's authorized representative, a producer, the
12	commissioner, or an organization of which the
13	commissioner is a member and that compiles the
14	information and makes it available to other
15	commissioners or regulatory or law enforcement
16	agencies shall not be subject to civil liability[, and
17	$\frac{1}{2}$ A civil cause of action of any nature shall not
18	arise against these entities or their respective
19	agents or employees[-] as a result of [any]:
20	(A) Any statement or information required by or
21	provided pursuant to this section [or any];

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1		<u>(B)</u>	Any information relating to any statement that
2			may be requested in writing by the
3			commissioner[7] from an insurer or producer; or
4			[a]
5		<u>(C)</u>	A statement by a terminating insurer or producer
6			to an insurer or producer limited solely [and
7			exclusively] to whether a termination under
8			subsection (a) was reported to the commissioner,
9			provided that the propriety of any termination
10			under subsection (a) is certified in writing by
11			an officer or authorized representative of the
12			insurer or producer terminating the relationship.
13	(2)	In ar	ny action brought against a person that may have
14		immur	nity under paragraph (1) for making any statement
15		requi	red by this section or for providing any
16		info	rmation relating to any statement that may be
17		reque	ested by the commissioner, the party bringing the
18		actio	on shall plead specifically in any allegation that
19		parag	graph (1) does not apply because the person making
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actual malice.

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1	(3)	[Paragraphs] Paragraph (1) or (2) shall not abrogate
2		or modify any existing statutory or common law
3		privileges or immunities.

[(e)] <u>(f)</u> Confidentiality and privilege from disclosure [is] <u>are</u> established as follows:

(1) Any documents, materials, or other information in the control or possession of the commissioner or [any] the commissioner's agent [of the commissioner that is] and furnished by an insurer, a producer, or an employee or agent [thereof who is] acting on behalf of the insurer or producer, or [is] obtained by the commissioner, [any] the commissioner's agent [of the commissioner], the insurance division, or any employee of the insurance division, in an investigation pursuant to this section shall be confidential and privileged, shall not be subject to chapter 92F, [shall not be subject to] subpoena, [shall not be subject to] or discovery, and shall not be admissible in evidence in any civil action; provided that the commissioner or the commissioner's designee is authorized to use the documents, materials, or other information in the

1	furtherance	of a	ny regulatory	or	legal	action	brought
2	as a part of	the	commissioner	s	duties		

- (2) Neither the commissioner nor any person who received documents, materials, or other information while acting under the authority of the commissioner shall be required to testify in any civil action concerning any confidential documents, materials, or information subject to paragraph (1).
- (3) Any provision to the contrary notwithstanding, the commissioner may:
 - (A) Share documents, materials, or other information, including the confidential and privileged documents, materials, or information subject to paragraph (1), with other state, federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement agencies and authorities, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, and their affiliates or subsidiaries; provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material, or other information;

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1		(B)	Receive documents, materials, or information,
2			including otherwise confidential and privileged
3			documents, materials, or information, from the
4			National Association of Insurance Commissioners,
5			its affiliates or subsidiaries, and [from] state
6			federal, and international regulatory and law
7			enforcement agencies and authorities and shall
8			maintain as confidential or privileged any
9			document, material, or information received with
10			the notice or [the] understanding that it is
11			confidential or privileged under the laws of the
12			jurisdiction that is the source of the document,
13			material, or information; and
14		(C)	Enter into agreements governing sharing and use
15			of information consistent with this subsection.
16	(4)	No w	aiver of any applicable privilege or claim of
17		conf	identiality in the documents, materials, or
18		info	rmation shall occur as a result of disclosure to
19		the	commissioner under this section or [as a result
20		o£ 1	sharing, receiving, or using the information as

authorized in paragraph (3).

1	(5) Nothing in this article shall prohibit the
2	commissioner from releasing final $[\tau]$ adjudicated
3	actions, including terminations that are open to
4	public inspection pursuant to section 431:2-209 to a
5	database or other clearinghouse service maintained by
6	the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or
7	its affiliates or subsidiaries.
8	$[\frac{f}{g}]$ An insurer, $[\frac{f}{g}]$ authorized representative
9	[of the insurer], or a producer who fails to report as required
10	[under the provisions of] by this section or who is found to
11	have reported with actual malice by a court of competent
12	jurisdiction may, after notice and hearing, have its license or
13	certificate of authority suspended or revoked and may be fined
14	in accordance with article 2."
15	SECTION 10. Section 431:15-201, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
16	is amended to read as follows:
17	"§431:15-201 Commissioner's summary orders and supervision
18	proceedings. (a) If, upon examination or at any other time,
19	the commissioner finds that any domestic insurer requires
20	supervision because it is in [such] a condition [as to] that
21	would render the continuance of its business hazardous to the

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- 1 public or to holders of its policies or certificates of
- 2 insurance, or if the domestic insurer gives its consent, then
- 3 the commissioner shall issue a supervision order and shall:
- 4 (1) Notify the insurer of the commissioner's order; and
- 5 (2) Furnish to the insurer a written list of the
- 6 commissioner's requirements to abate the
- 7 commissioner's order. The commissioner shall also
- 8 proceed, if necessary, against the insurer pursuant to
- 9 section 431:2-203.
- 10 (b) During the period of supervision, the commissioner may
- 11 appoint a supervisor to supervise the insurer [-] and may employ
- 12 counsel, clerks, and assistants as necessary. The supervisor
- 13 shall have all the powers and responsibilities granted under
- 14 this section. Any person appointed under this section shall
- 15 serve at the pleasure of the commissioner.
- 16 (c) The compensation of the supervisor, counsel, clerks,
- 17 and assistants and all expenses of the supervision shall be
- 18 approved by the commissioner and paid out of the funds or assets
- 19 of the insurer upon presentation of a detailed account of the
- 20 expenses filed by the supervisor or other persons employed or
- 21 appointed by the commissioner. The commissioner may in whole or

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1 in part defer payment of expenses due from the insurer pursuant 2 to this section upon a showing that payment would adversely 3 impact the financial condition of the insurer and jeopardize its 4 recovery during supervision. Deferred payments shall be made by 5 the insurer when payment no longer adversely impacts its 6 financial condition. 7 (d) The order appointing a supervisor shall direct the 8 supervisor to enforce orders issued under subsection (a) and 9 [also] may [require-that] prohibit the insurer [shall not do] 10 from doing any of the following [things] during the period of 11 supervision without [the] prior written approval of the 12 commissioner or [the] supervisor: 13 Dispose of, convey, or encumber any of its assets or 14 [its] business in force; 15 Withdraw from any of its bank accounts; (2) Lend any of its funds; 16 (3) **17** Invest any of its funds; (4)Transfer any of its property; **18** (5) 19 (6) Incur any debt, obligation, or liability; 20 (7) Merge or consolidate with another company;

Enter into any new reinsurance contract or treaty; or

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- 1 (9) Write any new or renewal business.
- 2 [(c)] (e) Any insurer subject to an order under this
- 3 section shall comply with the requirements of the commissioner
- 4 within sixty days from the date the supervision order is served.
- 5 If the insurer fails to comply within the time specified, the
- 6 commissioner may institute proceedings under section 431:15-301
- 7 or section 431:15-306 to have a rehabilitator or liquidator
- 8 appointed [-] or seek to enforce the order pursuant to section
- 9 431:2-203.
- 10 [(d)] (f) Any insurer subject to an order under this
- 11 section may request a hearing to review the order. The hearing
- 12 shall be held as provided in chapter 91, but the request for a
- 13 hearing shall not stay the effect of the order. The insurer, at
- 14 any time, may waive said hearing and apply for immediate
- 15 judicial relief by means of any remedy afforded by law without
- 16 first exhausting administrative remedies.
- 17 [(e)] (g) During the period of supervision, the insurer
- 18 may request that the commissioner [to] review an action taken or
- 19 proposed to be taken by the supervisor[, specifying where the
- 20 action complained of is believed not to be] that the insurer
- 21 believes is not in the best interest of the insurer.

1	$[\frac{(f)}{(h)}]$ If any person has violated any supervision order
2	issued under this section [which as to the person was then still
3	in effect], the person shall pay a penalty imposed by the
4	circuit court of the first judicial circuit of this State, which
5	shall not [to] exceed \$10,000 for each violation.
6	$\left[\frac{(g)}{(i)}\right]$ The commissioner may apply for, and the court
7	may grant, [such] restraining orders, preliminary [and] or
8	permanent injunctions, [and] or other orders [as may be deemed
9	necessary and proper] to enforce a supervision order.
10	[(h)] <u>(j)</u> If any person:
11	(1) With authority over or in charge of any segment of the
12	insurer's affairs; or
13	(2) Who exercises control directly or indirectly over
14	activities of the insurer through any holding company
15	or other affiliate of the insurer;
16	knowingly violates any valid order of the commissioner issued
17	under this section and, as a result of the violation, the net
18	worth of the insurer is reduced or the insurer suffers loss it
19	would not otherwise have suffered, the person shall become
20	personally liable to the insurer for the amount of the reduction

or loss. The commissioner or supervisor may bring an action on

- 1 behalf of the insurer in the circuit court of the first judicial
- 2 circuit of this State to recover the amount of the reduction or
- 3 loss together with any costs."
- 4 SECTION 11. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 12. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050;
- 7 provided that sections 7, 8, and 9 shall take effect on
- 8 January 1, 2019.

Report Title:

Insurance Fraud; Certificate of Authority; Fees; Motor Vehicle Self-insurance; Declaration by the Commissioner; Nonresident Adjusters; Producer Licensing Model Act; Appointments; Notification of Termination; Motor Vehicle Insurance; Third-party Claimant; General Excise Tax; Certificate of Ownership Fee; Supervision

Description:

Increases monetary penalties for insurance fraud for a class C felony and misdemeanor. Clarifies process for insurers applying for an original certificate of authority and transferring insurers amending corporate documents after a transfer. Specifies fee for a certificate of authority for an application for motor vehicle self-insurance. Permits insurance commissioner to issue a declaration before an event that may require the use of nonresident adjusters. Beginning 1/1/2019, conforms producer licensing requirements to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Producer Licensing Model Requires a motor vehicle insurer to pay the applicable general excise tax and certificate of ownership fee when settling with a third-party claimant in a total loss claim. Requires certain costs and expenses incurred by the commissioner during supervisory procedures to be paid or reimbursed by insurer assets. Makes housekeeping amendments. (SB953 HD1)

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