

General Assembly

Amendment

February Session, 2022

LCO No. **5644**



Offered by:

Dist.

REP. WOOD K., 29th Dist. REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th

To: Senate Bill No. 377

File No. 358

Cal. No. 430

"AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR NEWBORNS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Section 38a-1 of the 2022 supplement to the general
- 4 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 5 (*Effective October 1, 2022*):
- 6 Terms used in this title <u>and section 2 of this act</u>, unless it appears from
- 7 the context to the contrary, shall have a scope and meaning as set forth
- 8 in this section.
- 9 (1) "Affiliate" or "affiliated" means a person that directly, or indirectly
- 10 through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by or is
- 11 under common control with another person.
- 12 (2) "Alien insurer" means any insurer that has been chartered by or

organized or constituted within or under the laws of any jurisdiction or country without the United States.

- (3) "Annuities" means all agreements to make periodical payments where the making or continuance of all or some of the series of the payments, or the amount of the payment, is dependent upon the continuance of human life or is for a specified term of years. This definition does not apply to payments made under a policy of life insurance.
- 21 (4) "Commissioner" means the Insurance Commissioner.
 - (5) "Control", "controlled by" or "under common control with" means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract other than a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or otherwise, unless the power is the result of an official position with the person.
- 28 (6) "Domestic insurer" means any insurer that has been chartered by, 29 incorporated, organized or constituted within or under the laws of this 30 state.
- 31 (7) "Domestic surplus lines insurer" means any domestic insurer that 32 has been authorized by the commissioner to write surplus lines 33 insurance.
- (8) "Foreign country" means any jurisdiction not in any state, districtor territory of the United States.
- (9) "Foreign insurer" means any insurer that has been chartered by or
 organized or constituted within or under the laws of another state or a
 territory of the United States.
 - (10) "Insolvency" or "insolvent" means, for any insurer, that it is unable to pay its obligations when they are due, or when its admitted assets do not exceed its liabilities plus the greater of: (A) Capital and surplus required by law for its organization and continued operation;

22

23

24

25

26

27

39

40

41

42

or (B) the total par or stated value of its authorized and issued capital stock. For purposes of this subdivision "liabilities" shall include but not be limited to reserves required by statute or by regulations adopted by the commissioner in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 or specific requirements imposed by the commissioner upon a subject company at the time of admission or subsequent thereto.

- (11) "Insurance" means any agreement to pay a sum of money, provide services or any other thing of value on the happening of a particular event or contingency or to provide indemnity for loss in respect to a specified subject by specified perils in return for a consideration. In any contract of insurance, an insured shall have an interest which is subject to a risk of loss through destruction or impairment of that interest, which risk is assumed by the insurer and such assumption shall be part of a general scheme to distribute losses among a large group of persons bearing similar risks in return for a ratable contribution or other consideration.
- (12) "Insurer" or "insurance company" includes any person or combination of persons doing any kind or form of insurance business other than a fraternal benefit society, and shall include a receiver of any insurer when the context reasonably permits.
 - (13) "Insured" means a person to whom or for whose benefit an insurer makes a promise in an insurance policy. The term includes policyholders, subscribers, members and beneficiaries. This definition applies only to the provisions of this title and does not define the meaning of this word as used in insurance policies or certificates.
 - (14) "Life insurance" means insurance on human lives and insurances pertaining to or connected with human life. The business of life insurance includes granting endowment benefits, granting additional benefits in the event of death by accident or accidental means, granting additional benefits in the event of the total and permanent disability of the insured, and providing optional methods of settlement of proceeds. Life insurance includes burial contracts to the extent provided by

49

50

51

52

53

54

55

56

57

58

63

64

65

66

67

68

69

70

71

72

73

74

- 75 section 38a-464.
- 76 (15) "Mutual insurer" means any insurer without capital stock, the 77 managing directors or officers of which are elected by its members.
- 78 (16) "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a partnership, a 79 limited liability company, an association, a joint stock company, a 80 business trust, an unincorporated organization or other legal entity.
- 81 (17) "Policy" means any document, including attached endorsements 82 and riders, purporting to be an enforceable contract, which 83 memorializes in writing some or all of the terms of an insurance 84 contract.
- 85 (18) "State" means any state, district, or territory of the United States.
- 86 (19) "Subsidiary" of a specified person means an affiliate controlled 87 by the person directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries.
- 88 (20) "Unauthorized insurer" or "nonadmitted insurer" means an 89 insurer that has not been granted a certificate of authority by the 90 commissioner to transact the business of insurance in this state or an 91 insurer transacting business not authorized by a valid certificate.
- 92 (21) "United States" means the United States of America, its territories 93 and possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the District of 94 Columbia.
- 95 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2022*) (a) For the purposes of this section:
- 97 (1) "Association health plan" means a fully insured group health 98 insurance policy that is (A) sponsored by a sponsoring association, and 99 (B) offered or sold to the employer members of the sponsoring 100 association to provide health benefits as permitted under the Employee 101 Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time;
- 102 (2) "Employer" means (A) a sole proprietorship in this state, or (B) a

person doing business in this state that employs at least one individual in this state; and

- (3) "Sponsoring association" means an association comprised of one or more employer members that provides an association health plan to its employer members and their employees.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes and to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, a sponsoring association may provide coverage under an association health plan to the employer members of the sponsoring association and their employees.
- 112 (c) The Insurance Commissioner shall adopt regulations, in 113 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to 114 carry out the purposes of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2022	38a-1
Sec. 2	October 1, 2022	New section

105

106

107

108

109

110

111