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AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE DATA AND INFORMATION SECURITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) This section may be
 cited as the "Insurance Data Security Law".

3 (b) The purpose of this section is to establish standards for data and 4 information security for persons licensed and required to be licensed 5 by the Insurance Commissioner, require licensees to notify the 6 commissioner following cybersecurity events and require the 7 commissioner to investigate such events.

8 (c) As used in this section:

9 (1) "Assuming insurer" means an insurer, including, but not limited 10 to, an insurer that is a licensee, that acquires an insurance obligation or 11 risk from a ceding insurer pursuant to an agreement between the 12 insurers;

13 (2) "Authorized individual" means an individual who is known to,

and screened by, a licensee, and to whom the licensee deems it
necessary and appropriate to grant access to nonpublic information
that is in the possession, custody or control of such licensee or stored
on such licensee's information systems;

(3) "Ceding insurer" means an insurer, including, but not limited to,
an insurer that is a licensee, that transfers an insurance obligation or
risk to an assuming insurer pursuant to an agreement between the
insurers;

(4) "Consumer" means an individual, including, but not limited to,
an applicant, beneficiary, certificate holder, claimant, insured or
policyholder, who is a resident of this state and whose nonpublic
information is in the possession, custody or control of a licensee or
stored on a licensee's information systems;

27 "Cybersecurity event" (5)means an event that involves 28 unauthorized access to, or disruption or misuse of, a licensee's or third-29 party service provider's information systems or the nonpublic 30 information stored thereon, except: (A) An event involving encrypted 31 nonpublic information when the encryption process or encryption key 32 is not acquired, released or used without authorization from the 33 licensee or third-party service provider; or (B) if the licensee or third-34 party service provider determines that the person who accessed such 35 nonpublic information (i) did not use or release such nonpublic 36 information to a third party, and (ii) destroyed or returned such 37 nonpublic information to such licensee or third-party service provider;

(6) "Encryption" means a process that transforms nonpublic
information into a form that is unlikely to reveal the meaning of the
nonpublic information without the use of a protective process or key;

(7) "Information security program" means a comprehensive written
program that contains the administrative, physical and technical
safeguards that a licensee uses to access, collect, dispose of, distribute,
process, protect, store, transmit, use or otherwise handle nonpublic

45 information;

(8) "Information system" means: (A) A discrete set of electronic
information resources organized for the collection, disposition,
dissemination, maintenance, processing, sharing or use of electronic
data or information; or (B) a specialized system, including, but not
limited to, an environmental control system, industrial or process
control system, or a telephone switching and private branch exchange
system;

(9) "Licensee" means a person that is, or is required to be, authorized, licensed or registered in this state pursuant to title 38a of the general statutes, except: (A) For a purchasing group or risk retention group, as such terms are defined in section 38a-250 of the general statutes, that is chartered and licensed in another state; or (B) if such person is not domiciled in this state and is acting in such person's capacity as an assuming insurer;

60 (10) "Multifactor authentication" means a process that requires an 61 individual to submit not less than two of the following forms of data or 62 information to verify the individual's identity: (A) Information that is 63 within the personal knowledge of such individual, including, but not 64 limited to, a password; (B) electronic data or information that is within 65 the possession, custody or control of such individual, including, but not limited to, a token or text message on a mobile telephone; or (C) 66 67 data or information inherited by such individual, including, but not 68 limited to, biometric data;

69 (11) "Nonpublic information" means data and information, other 70 than public information and information concerning age or gender: (A) 71 Concerning the business of a licensee that, if accessed, disclosed, 72 tampered with or used without authorization from the licensee, would 73 have a material adverse impact on the business, operations or security 74 of such licensee; (B) that is in a form or medium created or derived 75 from a consumer or health care provider concerning (i) the behavioral, 76 mental or physical health of the consumer or a member of the family of

77 such consumer, (ii) health care provided to the consumer, or (iii) 78 payment for health care provided to the consumer; or (C) concerning a 79 consumer, including, but not limited to, the name, number, personal 80 mark or other personal identifier of the consumer, that, in combination 81 with any of the following forms of information, can be used to identify 82 such consumer: (i) An access or security code, or a password, that 83 would permit access to a financial account; (ii) an account, credit card 84 or debit card number; (iii) biometric records; (iv) a driver's license 85 number or an identification card number; or (v) a Social Security 86 number;

87 (12) "Person" means an individual or a nongovernmental entity,
88 including, but not limited to, a nongovernmental agency, association,
89 branch, corporation or partnership;

90 (13) "Public information" means data or information that: (A) (i) 91 Must be disclosed to the general public pursuant to applicable law, or 92 (ii) may be made available to the general public from government 93 records or widely distributed media; and (B) a licensee reasonably 94 believes, after investigation, (i) is of a type that is available to the 95 general public, and (ii) the consumer has not directed to be withheld 96 from the general public, if the consumer may direct that such data or 97 information be withheld from the general public pursuant to 98 applicable law; and

(14) "Third-party service provider" means a person, other than a
licensee, that: (A) Contracts with a licensee to maintain, process or
store nonpublic information; or (B) is permitted to access nonpublic
information while providing services to a licensee.

(d) (1) Not later than July 1, 2020, each licensee shall cause a riskassessment program to be implemented for such licensee that:

105 (A) Is continuously operated;

(B) Designates an affiliate, employee or outside vendor of suchlicensee as the person responsible for developing, implementing and

maintaining the information security program for such licenseepursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of this section;

110 (C) Identifies reasonably foreseeable threats, regardless of whether 111 such threats originate inside or outside of such licensee, (i) that might 112 result in unauthorized access to, or unauthorized alteration, 113 destruction, disclosure, misuse or transmission of, nonpublic 114 information that is in the possession, custody or control of such 115 licensee, or (ii) to the security of such licensee's information systems 116 and the nonpublic information that is accessible to, or in the 117 possession, custody or control of, a third-party service provider that 118 has contracted with such licensee;

(D) Assesses the likelihood of, and the potential damage resulting from, the reasonably foreseeable threats identified pursuant to subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, taking into account the sensitivity of the nonpublic information described in said subparagraph;

124 (E) Assesses the sufficiency of such licensee's information systems, 125 and all policies, procedures and safeguards implemented to manage 126 the reasonably foreseeable threats identified pursuant to subparagraph 127 (C) of this subdivision, based on an assessment of, among other things, 128 such licensee's policies, procedures and other safeguards concerning 129 threats originating from such licensee's operations regarding (i) 130 employee training and management, (ii) information systems, 131 including, but not limited to, network design, software design and 132 information classification, disposal, governance, processing, storage 133 and transmission, and (iii) detection, prevention and response to 134 cybersecurity events; and

(F) Implements information safeguards to (i) manage the reasonably
foreseeable threats identified pursuant to subparagraph (C) of this
subdivision, and (ii) at least annually, assess the effectiveness of the
key controls, procedures and systems comprising such safeguards.

(2) Each licensee shall, on the basis of the risk assessment program
implemented for such licensee pursuant to subdivision (1) of this
subsection:

142 (A) Include cybersecurity risks in such licensee's enterprise risk143 management process;

144 (B) Remain informed of emerging threats and vulnerabilities;

(C) Utilize security measures when sharing data or information that
are reasonable in relation to the character of such sharing and the type
of data or information shared;

(D) Provide all employees of such licensee with cybersecurity
awareness training that is updated, on an ongoing basis, to account for
all risks identified in such risk assessment program; and

151 (E) Determine whether the security measures set forth in 152 subparagraphs (E)(i) to (E)(xii), inclusive, of this subdivision are 153 appropriate, and, if such licensee determines that such security 154 measures are appropriate, implement such security measures:

(i) Access control measures for such licensee's information systems,
including, but not limited to, measures that authenticate the identities
of, and restrict access to, authorized individuals;

(ii) Measures that identify and manage data, devices, facilities,
personnel and systems and enable such licensee to achieve such
licensee's business purposes in accordance with the relative
importance of such purposes to such licensee's business objectives and
risk strategy;

(iii) Measures that restrict, to authorized individuals, access tophysical locations containing nonpublic information;

(iv) Measures that protect, by encryption or other means, nonpublicinformation while such nonpublic information is transmitted over an

167 external network or stored on a laptop computer or other portable168 computing device, storage device or medium;

169 (v) Secure development measures for software applications170 developed and utilized by such licensee;

(vi) Measures for assessing, evaluating and testing the security ofsoftware applications utilized but not developed by such licensee;

(vii) Measures to modify such licensee's information systems in
accordance with the information security program developed,
implemented and maintained for such licensee pursuant to
subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of this section;

(viii) Effective control measures, including, but not limited to,
multifactor authentication, for individuals accessing nonpublic
information;

(ix) Measures to regularly test and monitor such licensee's
information systems and procedures to detect both actual and
attempted attacks on, and intrusions into, such licensee's information
systems;

(x) Measures to include audit trails within the information security
program developed, implemented and maintained for such licensee
pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (e) of this section to (I) detect
and respond to cybersecurity events, and (II) reconstruct material
financial transactions in a manner that is sufficient to support such
licensee's normal operations and obligations;

(xi) Measures to protect against damage or destruction to, or loss of,
nonpublic information caused by environmental hazards, including,
but not limited to, fire and water, other catastrophes or technological
failures; and

(xii) Measures to dispose of nonpublic information regardless of theformat of such nonpublic information.

(e) (1) Not later than October 1, 2020, each licensee shall cause an
information security program to be developed, implemented and
maintained for such licensee that:

(A) Is commensurate with the (i) complexity and size of such
licensee, (ii) nature and scope of such licensee's activities, including,
but not limited to, such licensee's use of third-party service providers,
and (iii) sensitivity of the nonpublic information that is used by, or in
the possession, custody or control of, such licensee or stored on such
licensee's information systems;

(B) Is based on the risk assessment program implemented for suchlicensee pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of this section;

(C) Is designed to (i) protect against hazards or threats to the (I)
integrity and security of such licensee's information systems, and (II)
confidentiality and security of the nonpublic information that is in the
possession, custody or control of such licensee, and (ii) minimize the
likelihood of harm to consumers resulting from any unauthorized
access to, or use of, the nonpublic information that is in the possession,
custody or control of such licensee;

(D) Establishes, and provides for the periodic reevaluation of, a schedule for the retention of the nonpublic information that is used by, or in the possession, custody or control of, such licensee or stored on such licensee's information systems, and a mechanism for the destruction of such nonpublic information when such licensee no longer requires such nonpublic information; and

(E) Includes a written incident response plan that (i) is designed to promptly respond to, and recover from, each cybersecurity event that compromises (I) such licensee's information systems, (II) the continued functioning of any aspect of such licensee's business operations, or (III) the availability, confidentiality or integrity of the nonpublic information that is in the possession, custody or control of such licensee, (ii) addresses such licensee's internal processes for responding

to cybersecurity events, (iii) sets forth the goals of such plan, (iv) 227 228 clearly defines the various responsibilities, roles and levels of decision-229 making authority concerning cybersecurity events, (v) addresses both 230 internal and external communications and information sharing, (vi) 231 identifies requirements for the remediation of any weaknesses 232 identified in such licensee's information systems or the controls 233 associated with such information systems, (vii) provides for the 234 documentation and reporting of cybersecurity events and any 235 activities undertaken in response to cybersecurity events, and (viii) 236 establishes a process to evaluate and, if necessary, revise such plan 237 following each cybersecurity event.

(2) Each licensee shall evaluate, monitor and adjust the information
security program developed, implemented and maintained for such
licensee pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection in a manner that
is consistent with:

242 (A) Relevant changes in technology;

(B) The sensitivity of the nonpublic information that is in the
possession, custody or control of such licensee or stored on such
licensee's information systems;

(C) Threats to the nonpublic information described in subparagraph
(B) of this subdivision, regardless of whether such threats originate
inside or outside of such licensee;

(D) Changes in the arrangement of such licensee's business,
including, but not limited to, acquisitions, alliances, joint ventures,
mergers and outsourcing; and

252 (E) Changes in such licensee's information systems.

(3) (A) If a licensee is governed by a board of directors, such board,
or a committee of such board, shall, at a minimum, require the
executive management of the licensee, or a person designated by such
executive management, to:

(i) Cause an information security program to be developed,
implemented and maintained for such licensee pursuant to
subdivision (1) of this subsection; and

260 (ii) Report, at least annually, to such board concerning (I) the overall 261 status of the information security program developed, implemented 262 and maintained for such licensee pursuant to subdivision (1) of this 263 subsection, and (II) all matters material to such information security 264 program, including, but not limited to, control decisions, cybersecurity 265 events and responses thereto, recommendations for changes to such 266 information security program, the ongoing risk assessment program 267 implemented for such licensee pursuant to subdivision (1) of 268 subsection (d) of this section, risk management measures, testing 269 results and third-party service provider arrangements.

(B) If the executive management of a licensee designates a person
that is not a member of such executive management to perform the
responsibilities established in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision,
such executive management shall:

(i) Oversee the development, implementation and maintenance by
such person of an information security program for such licensee
pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection; and

(ii) Require that such person submit a report, at least annually, to
such executive management containing the information set forth in
subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision.

280 (4) Not later than October 1, 2021, each licensee shall require each 281 third-party service provider that contracts with such licensee, or is 282 permitted to access nonpublic information that is in the possession, 283 custody or control of such licensee or stored on such licensee's 284 information systems, to implement appropriate administrative, 285 physical and technical measures to protect and secure all information 286 systems that are, and all nonpublic information that is, accessible to or 287 held by such third-party service provider. Each licensee shall exercise

288 due diligence in selecting third-party service providers.

289 (f) Not later than February 15, 2021, and annually thereafter, each 290 insurer domiciled in this state shall submit to the Insurance 291 Commissioner, in a form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, 292 a written statement certifying that such insurer is in compliance with 293 the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) of this section. Each insurer 294 domiciled in this state shall maintain, for a period of not less than five 295 years from the date such insurer submits a written statement to the 296 commissioner pursuant to this subsection, all data, information, 297 records and schedules supporting such written statement. If an insurer 298 domiciled in this state identifies areas, processes or systems that 299 require material improvements, redesign or updates, the insurer shall 300 document and identify all remediation efforts, whether such efforts are 301 planned or underway, to address such areas, processes or systems. 302 Each insurer domiciled in this state shall, upon demand by the 303 commissioner, make available to the commissioner all written 304 statements and documents that such insurer is required to maintain 305 pursuant to this subsection.

306 (g) (1) Beginning on October 1, 2020, each third-party service 307 provider that discovers that a cybersecurity event involving such 308 third-party service provider's information systems has occurred shall, 309 in a form and manner prescribed by the Insurance Commissioner and 310 in no event later than seventy-two hours after discovering such 311 cybersecurity event, notify each licensee that has contracted with such 312 third-party service provider and is affected by such cybersecurity 313 event, or each person designated to act on behalf of a licensee, that 314 such cybersecurity event has occurred.

(2) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, if
a licensee suspects that a cybersecurity event involving the licensee's
information systems has occurred, such licensee, or a person
designated to act on behalf of such licensee, shall promptly conduct an
investigation to, at a minimum, determine whether the suspected
cybersecurity event occurred, and, if the suspected cybersecurity event

321 occurred:

322 (i) Assess the nature and scope of such cybersecurity event;

323 (ii) Identify all nonpublic information that might have been324 involved in such cybersecurity event; and

(iii) Perform, or oversee the implementation of, reasonable measures
to (I) restore the security of such information systems, and (II) prevent
further unauthorized acquisition, release or use of the nonpublic
information that is stored on such information systems.

(B) If a third-party service provider notifies a licensee, or a person designated to act on behalf of a licensee, pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection that the third-party service provider has discovered that a cybersecurity event involving such third-party service provider's information systems has occurred, or if a licensee has actual knowledge that such a cybersecurity event has occurred, the licensee shall:

(i) Confirm, and maintain records confirming, that such third-party
service provider promptly conducted an investigation that satisfies the
requirements established in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision; or

(ii) Promptly conduct an investigation that satisfies the
requirements established in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision on
behalf of such third-party service provider.

(3) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision,
each licensee, or a person designated to act on behalf of such licensee,
shall promptly notify the commissioner, in a form and manner
prescribed by the commissioner and in no event later than the
applicable deadline established in subdivision (4) of this subsection,
that a cybersecurity event has occurred if:

348 (i) Such licensee is (I) an insurer, as defined in section 38a-1 of the 349 general statutes, that is domiciled in this state, or (II) an insurance producer whose home state, as such terms are defined in section 38a-702a of the general statutes, is this state; or

352 (ii) Such licensee reasonably believes that the nonpublic information 353 involved in such cybersecurity event concerns not less than two 354 hundred fifty consumers, and (I) such licensee is required to send 355 notice concerning such cybersecurity event to any government body, 356 self-regulatory agency or supervisory body pursuant to any applicable 357 federal or state law, or (II) it is reasonably likely that such 358 cybersecurity event will materially harm any consumer or any material 359 part of the normal operations of such licensee.

(B) Each licensee acting in such licensee's capacity as an assuming insurer, or a person designated to act on behalf of such licensee, shall promptly notify the commissioner and each ceding insurer affected by a cybersecurity event, in a form and manner prescribed by the commissioner and in no event later than the deadline established in subdivision (4) of this subsection, that a cybersecurity event has occurred if:

(i) The cybersecurity event involves nonpublic information that (I)
comes into the possession, custody or control of, or involves
information systems maintained by, such licensee in such licensee's
capacity as an assuming insurer, or (II) is stored on the information
systems of a third-party service provider that contracted with such
licensee in such licensee's capacity as an assuming insurer;

373 (ii) Such licensee reasonably believes that the criteria established in374 subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision are satisfied; and

(iii) Such licensee does not have a direct contractual relationshipwith the consumers affected by such cybersecurity event.

(4) Each licensee, or person designated to act on behalf of a licensee,
that is required to send notice to the commissioner pursuant to
subparagraph (A) of subdivision (3) of this subsection, or the
commissioner and a ceding insurer pursuant to subparagraph (B) of

said subdivision, shall send such notice to the commissioner, or the
commissioner and a ceding insurer, as applicable, not later than
seventy-two hours after:

(A) Such licensee, or the person designated to act on behalf of such
licensee, first discovers a cybersecurity event if the cybersecurity event
involves information systems maintained by such licensee; or

(B) Such licensee, or the person designated to act on behalf of such
licensee, receives notice from a third-party service provider pursuant
to subdivision (1) of this subsection disclosing that a cybersecurity
event has occurred, or such licensee first has actual knowledge that a
cybersecurity event involving the information systems maintained by a
third-party service provider has occurred.

393 (5) Each licensee, or person designated to act on behalf of such 394 licensee, that notifies the commissioner pursuant to subparagraph (A) 395 of subdivision (3) of this subsection or receives notice from an 396 assuming insurer pursuant to subparagraph (B) of said subdivision 397 shall, not later than the deadline established in subdivision (4) of this 398 subsection and in an electronic form prescribed by the commissioner, 399 submit the following information to the commissioner, if and to the 400 extent that such information is available to such licensee or person, 401 and shall supplement and update such information as additional 402 information becomes available:

403 (A) The date of the cybersecurity event;

(B) A description of how the nonpublic information involved in the
cybersecurity event was breached, exposed, lost or stolen, including,
but not limited to, a description of the specific responsibilities and
roles of each third-party service provider involved in the cybersecurity
event;

409 (C) How the cybersecurity event was discovered;

410 (D) Whether any nonpublic information involved in the

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411 cybersecurity event was recovered and, if such nonpublic information412 was recovered, how such nonpublic information was recovered;

413 (E) The identity of each person who perpetrated the cybersecurity 414 event;

(F) Whether such licensee, or person designated to act on behalf of such licensee, notified any government, law enforcement or regulatory agency, other than the commissioner, regarding the cybersecurity event and, if so, when such licensee, or person designated to act on behalf of such licensee, issued such notice;

420 (G) A description of each specific type of nonpublic information
421 involved in the cybersecurity event, including, but not limited to,
422 financial or medical information;

(H) The period during which each information system involved inthe cybersecurity event was compromised by such cybersecurity event;

(I) The number of consumers affected by the cybersecurity event or,
if such number is unavailable, the best estimate of the number of
consumers affected by such cybersecurity event;

(J) The results of any review conducted by such licensee, or person designated to act on behalf of such licensee, that (i) identifies any lapse in the automated controls or internal procedures of such licensee, or (ii) confirms that all automated controls and internal procedures of such licensee were followed;

433 (K) A description of any efforts undertaken to remediate the 434 conditions that caused or enabled the cybersecurity event;

(L) A copy of any privacy policy implemented by or for suchlicensee;

(M) A statement outlining all steps that such licensee, or persondesignated to act on behalf of such licensee, will take to (i) investigate

the cybersecurity event, and (ii) notify all consumers affected by thecybersecurity event;

(N) The name of an individual, designated by such licensee or
person designated to act on behalf of such licensee, who is (i) familiar
with the cybersecurity event, and (ii) authorized to act on behalf of
such licensee; and

(O) If such licensee is subject to the notice requirement established
in subparagraph (A) of subdivision (6) of this subsection, a copy of the
notice that such licensee sent to residents of this state, owners and
licensees pursuant to section 36a-701b of the general statutes.

449 (6) Each licensee, or person designated to act on behalf of a licensee, 450 that is required to send notice to the commissioner following a 451 cybersecurity event pursuant to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (3) of 452 this subsection, and each ceding insurer who receives notice from an 453 assuming insurer following a cybersecurity event pursuant to 454 subparagraph (B) of said subdivision and maintains a direct 455 contractual relationship with the consumers affected by the 456 cybersecurity event, shall:

(A) Notify the consumers affected by the cybersecurity event in themanner specified in section 36a-701b of the general statutes; and

(B) If a consumer affected by the cybersecurity event accessed such
licensee's services through an insurance producer, as defined in section
38a-702a of the general statutes, and such licensee has the current
contact information for the insurance producer, notify such insurance
producer at a time and in a manner prescribed by the commissioner.

(h) Beginning on October 1, 2020, each licensee shall maintain
records concerning each cybersecurity event for a period of not less
than five years from the date of the cybersecurity event.

(i) (1) Beginning on October 1, 2020, whenever the InsuranceCommissioner has reason to believe that a licensee has violated any

469 provision of this section, the commissioner shall:

(A) Have the power to examine and investigate the affairs of the
licensee, in the manner set forth in sections 38a-14 to 38a-16, inclusive,
of the general statutes and in compliance with this section, to
determine whether such licensee has violated such provision; and

(B) Issue and serve upon the licensee a (i) statement setting forth
such violation, and (ii) notice of a hearing to be held at a time and
place fixed in such notice, which time shall not be less than thirty
calendar days after the date of service of such notice.

478 (2) (A) A licensee shall, at the time and place fixed for a hearing in a 479 notice issued and served upon the licensee pursuant to subparagraph 480 (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, have an opportunity to be 481 heard and show cause why an order should not be entered by the 482 commissioner (i) enforcing the provisions of this section, or (ii) 483 suspending, revoking or refusing to reissue or renew any license, 484 certificate of registration or authorization to operate the commissioner 485 has issued, or may issue, to such licensee.

486 (B) The commissioner may, after holding a hearing pursuant to 487 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision and in addition to or in lieu of 488 suspending, revoking or refusing to reissue or renew any license, 489 certificate of registration or authorization to operate the commissioner 490 has issued, or may issue, to a licensee, impose on the licensee a civil 491 penalty of not more than fifty thousand dollars for each violation of 492 any provision of this section. The commissioner may bring a civil 493 action to recover the amount of any civil penalty the commissioner 494 imposes on a licensee pursuant to this subparagraph.

495 (3) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subsection:

(i) All documents, information and materials that a licensee submits
to the commissioner pursuant to subparagraphs (B), (C), (D), (E), (H),
(J) and (K) of subdivision (5) of subsection (g) of this section, or that the
commissioner obtains in connection with an investigation conducted

500 pursuant to subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, 501 shall (I) be confidential and privileged, (II) not be subject to disclosure 502 under the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200 of 503 the general statutes or any subpoena or discovery in any private cause 504 of action, and (III) not be introduced into evidence in any private cause 505 of action; and

506 (ii) The commissioner and all persons acting on behalf of the 507 commissioner who receive any document, information or material 508 described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision shall not be 509 permitted or compelled to testify in any private cause of action 510 concerning such document, information or material.

511 (B) The commissioner may:

(i) Exercise the commissioner's authority in any legal or regulatory
action, or use any document, information and material described in
subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision in furtherance of such action;

515 (ii) Submit documents, information and materials, including, but 516 not limited to, documents, information and materials described in 517 subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision, to the Attorney General, other 518 state, federal or international regulatory agencies and law enforcement 519 authorities, and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners 520 and the affiliates and subsidiaries of such association, provided the 521 recipient of such documents, information and materials agrees, in 522 writing, to maintain such documents, information and materials as 523 confidential in a manner that satisfies the requirements established in 524 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(iii) Receive documents, information and materials, including, but not limited to, confidential or privileged documents, information and materials, from the Attorney General, other state, federal or international regulatory agencies and law enforcement authorities, and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and the affiliates and subsidiaries of such association, provided the commissioner agrees, in writing, to treat such documents, information and materials
as if such documents, information and materials were submitted to the
commissioner in the manner described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this
subdivision;

(iv) Submit documents, information and materials described in
subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision to a third-party consultant or
vendor, provided the consultant or vendor agrees, in writing, to treat
such documents, information and materials as confidential in a
manner that satisfies the requirements of subparagraph (A) of this
subdivision;

(v) Enter into agreements governing the submission, receipt and use
of documents, information and materials in a manner that satisfies the
requirements established in this subdivision; and

(vi) Notwithstanding any contrary provision in this subdivision,
release to any clearinghouse service or database maintained by the
National Association of Insurance Commissioners, or any affiliate or
subsidiary of such association, a final, adjudicated action that is subject
to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in
section 1-200 of the general statutes.

550 (C) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of confidentiality 551 in any document, information or material shall occur as a result of any 552 submission made to, or receipt by, the commissioner of such 553 document, information or material in the manner described in 554 subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision.

(j) (1) Notwithstanding any contrary provision in this section:

(A) Each licensee that has fewer than ten employees or independent
contractors shall not be subject to the requirements established in
subsections (d) to (f), inclusive, of this section;

(B) Each licensee that is subject to the Health Insurance Portabilityand Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, as amended from time to

561 time, and establishes and maintains an information security program 562 that satisfies all applicable provisions of such act and the guidelines, procedures, regulations and rules promulgated thereunder shall be 563 564 deemed to have satisfied the requirements established in subsections 565 (d) to (f), inclusive, of this section, provided such licensee files with the 566 Insurance Commissioner, in a form and manner prescribed by the 567 commissioner, a certification that such licensee is in compliance with 568 such provisions; and

569 (C) Each licensee that is an agent, designee, employee or 570 representative of any other licensee shall not be subject to the 571 requirements established in subsections (d) to (f), inclusive, of this 572 section, and shall not be required to cause an information security 573 program to be developed, implemented and maintained for such 574 agent, designee, employee or representative pursuant to subsection (e) 575 of this section, provided such agent, designee, employee or 576 representative is covered by the information security program 577 developed, implemented and maintained for such other licensee.

578 (2) Each licensee that ceases to qualify for an exception under 579 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall comply with all provisions of 580 this section that apply to such licensee not later than one hundred 581 eighty days after such licensee no longer qualifies for such exception.

582 (k) Nothing in this section shall be construed to create a private 583 right of action, or to affect or limit a private right of action that exists 584 without regard to this section.

585 (l) The Insurance Commissioner may adopt such regulations, in 586 accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the 587 provisions of this section.

588 Sec. 2. Subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of 589 section 36a-701b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is 590 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2020*):

591 (B) The person who conducts business in this state, and who, in the

592 ordinary course of such person's business, owns or licenses 593 computerized data that includes personal information, shall offer to 594 each resident whose [personal] nonpublic information under 595 subparagraph [(A)] (C)(v) of subdivision [(4)] (11) of subsection [(a)] (c) 596 of section [38a-999b] 1 of this act or personal information as defined in 597 subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section 598 was breached or is reasonably believed to have been breached, 599 appropriate identity theft prevention services and, if applicable, 600 identity theft mitigation services. Such service or services shall be 601 provided at no cost to such resident for a period of not less than 602 twenty-four months. Such person shall provide all information 603 necessary for such resident to enroll in such service or services and 604 shall include information on how such resident can place a credit 605 freeze on such resident's credit file.

Sec. 3. Section 38a-999b of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective October 1, 2020*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2019	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2020	36a-701b(b)(2)(B)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2020	Repealer section

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