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AN ACT

To repeal sections 288.132, 303.025, 303.041, 319.129, 375.159, 376.380, and 379.011, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof thirteen new sections relating to insurance, with penalty provisions and an effective date for certain sections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 288.132, 303.025, 303.041, 319.129,
375.159, 376.380, and 379.011, RSMo, are repealed and thirteen
new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections
288.132, 288.133, 303.025, 303.041, 303.420, 303.422, 303.425,
303.430, 303.440, 319.129, 375.159, 376.380, and 379.011, to
read as follows:

288.132. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Unemployment Automation Fund", which shall 2 consist of money collected [under subsection 1 of section 3 4 288.131] pursuant to section 288.133, and such other state 5 funds appropriated by the general assembly. The state 6 treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and may approve disbursements from the fund in accordance with sections 7 8 30.170 and 30.180. Upon appropriation, money in the fund 9 shall be used solely for the purpose of providing automated systems, and the payment of associated costs, to improve the 10 administration of the state's unemployment insurance 11 program. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 12

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

13 to the contrary, all moneys remaining in the fund at the end 14 of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the 15 general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest 16 moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are 17 invested. Any interest and money earned on such investments 18 shall be credited to the fund.

The unemployment automation fund shall not be used 19 2. 20 in whole or in part for any purpose or in any manner that 21 would permit its substitution for, or a corresponding 22 reduction in, federal funds that would be available in its absence to finance expenditures for the administration of 23 this chapter, or cause the appropriate agency of the United 24 25 States government to withhold any part of an administrative grant which would otherwise be made. 26

288.133. 1. Each employer liable for contributions pursuant to this chapter, except employers with a contribution rate equal to zero, shall pay an annual unemployment automation adjustment in an amount equal to two one-hundredths of one percent of such employer's total taxable wages for the twelve-month period ending the preceding June thirtieth.

8 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section to the 9 contrary, the division may reduce the automation adjustment 10 percentage to ensure that the total amount of adjustment due 11 from all employers under this section shall not exceed five 12 million dollars annually.

3. Each employer liable to pay an automation
adjustment shall be notified of the amount due under this
section by March thirty-first of each year and such amount
shall be considered delinquent thirty days thereafter.
Delinquent unemployment automation adjustment amounts may be
collected in the manner provided under sections 288.160 and

288.170. All moneys collected under this section shall be
deposited in the unemployment automation fund established in
section 288.132.

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For the first quarter of each calendar year, the 22 4. total amount of contribution otherwise due from each 23 24 employer liable to pay contributions under this chapter shall be reduced by the dollar amount of unemployment 25 26 automation adjustment due from such employer pursuant to 27 subsection 1 of this section. However, the amount of 28 contributions due from such employer for the first quarter of the calendar year in question shall not be reduced below 29 30 zero.

303.025. 1. No owner of a motor vehicle registered in 2 this state, or required to be registered in this state, 3 shall operate, register or maintain registration of a motor 4 vehicle, or permit another person to operate such vehicle, 5 unless the owner maintains the financial responsibility which conforms to the requirements of the laws of this 6 7 state. No nonresident shall operate or permit another person to operate in this state a motor vehicle registered 8 9 to such nonresident unless the nonresident maintains the 10 financial responsibility which conforms to the requirements of the laws of the nonresident's state of residence. 11 12 Furthermore, no person shall operate a motor vehicle owned by another with the knowledge that the owner has not 13 14 maintained financial responsibility unless such person has financial responsibility which covers the person's operation 15 of the other's vehicle; however, no owner or nonresident 16 shall be in violation of this subsection if he or she fails 17 to maintain financial responsibility on a motor vehicle 18 19 which is inoperable or being stored and not in operation. 20 The director of the department of revenue shall establish by

rule a process for voluntary suspension of motor vehicle 21 22 registration for vehicles which are inoperable or being stored and not in operation. 23 The owner or nonresident shall 24 not further operate the vehicle until the owner or nonresident notifies the department of revenue that the 25 26 vehicle will be in use, and the department shall reinstate the motor vehicle registration upon receipt of proof of 27 financial responsibility. Owners or nonresidents who 28 29 operate a motor vehicle during a period of inoperability or 30 storage claimed under this subsection shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor and may additionally be quilty of a 31 violation of this subsection. Notwithstanding any provision 32 of law to the contrary, the department of revenue may verify 33 34 motor vehicle financial responsibility as provided by law, but shall not otherwise take legal or administrative action 35 36 to enforce the requirements of this section unless, in the 37 discretion of the director, the motor vehicle is determined to have been operated in violation of this section, a motor 38 vehicle registration is applied for in violation of this 39 40 section, or the motor vehicle on two separate occasions 41 thirty days apart is determined to have its registration maintained in violation of this section. The director may 42 prescribe rules and regulations for the implementation of 43 44 this section.

45 2. A motor vehicle owner shall maintain the owner's 46 financial responsibility in a manner provided for in section 47 303.160, or with a motor vehicle liability policy which 48 conforms to the requirements of the laws of this state. A 49 nonresident motor vehicle owner shall maintain the owner's 50 financial responsibility which conforms to the requirements 51 of the laws of the nonresident's state of residence.

52 3. Any person who violates this section is quilty of a 53 misdemeanor. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a first violation of this section shall be punishable as a 54 class D misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation of 55 this section [shall] may be [punishable] punished by 56 57 imprisonment in the county jail for a term not to exceed fifteen days [and/or] and shall be punished by a fine not 58 59 less than two hundred dollars but not to exceed five hundred 60 dollars. Prior pleas of guilty and prior findings of guilty 61 shall be pleaded and proven in the same manner as required by section 558.021. However, no person shall be found 62 quilty of violating this section if the operator 63 demonstrates to the court that he or she met the financial 64 responsibility requirements of this section at the time the 65 peace officer, commercial vehicle enforcement officer or 66 commercial vehicle inspector wrote the citation. 67 In addition to any other authorized punishment, the court shall 68 notify the director of revenue of any person convicted 69 pursuant to this section and shall do one of the following: 70

71 Enter an order suspending the driving privilege as (1)of the date of the court order. If the court orders the 72 73 suspension of the driving privilege, the court shall require the defendant to surrender to it any driver's license then 74 75 held by such person. The length of the suspension shall be 76 as prescribed in subsection 2 of section 303.042. The court shall forward to the director of revenue the order of 77 suspension of driving privilege and any license surrendered 78 79 within ten days;

80 (2) Forward the record of the conviction for an81 assessment of four points;

82 (3) In lieu of an assessment of points, render an83 order of supervision as provided in section 302.303. An

84 order of supervision shall not be used in lieu of points 85 more than one time in any thirty-six-month period. Every 86 court having jurisdiction pursuant to the provisions of this section shall forward a record of conviction to the Missouri 87 state highway patrol, or at the written direction of the 88 89 Missouri state highway patrol, to the department of revenue, in a manner approved by the director of the department of 90 91 public safety. The director shall establish procedures for 92 the record keeping and administration of this section; or

93 (4) For a nonresident, suspend the nonresident's 94 driving privileges in this state in accordance with section 95 303.030 and notify the official in charge of the issuance of 96 licenses and registration certificates in the state in which 97 such nonresident resides in accordance with section 303.080.

98 4. Nothing in sections 303.010 to 303.050, 303.060,
99 303.140, 303.220, 303.290, 303.330 and 303.370 shall be
100 construed as prohibiting the department of commerce and
101 insurance from approving or authorizing those exclusions and
102 limitations which are contained in automobile liability
103 insurance policies and the uninsured motorist provisions of
104 automobile liability insurance policies.

105 5. If a court enters an order of suspension, the
106 offender may appeal such order directly pursuant to chapter
107 512 and the provisions of section 302.311 shall not apply.

6. Any fines owed to the state pursuant to this
section may be eligible for payment in installments. The
director shall promulgate rules for the application of
payment plans, which shall take into account individuals'
ability to pay.

303.041. 1. Except as otherwise provided in
subsection 7 of section 303.425, if the director determines
[that as a result of a verification sample or accident]

4 report that the owner of a motor vehicle has not maintained financial responsibility, or if the director determines as a 5 6 result of an order of supervision] that the owner or operator of a motor vehicle has not maintained the financial 7 8 responsibility as required in this chapter, the director 9 shall thirty-three days after mailing notice, suspend the 10 driving privilege of the owner or operator and/or the 11 registration of the vehicle failing to meet such requirement. The notice of suspension shall be mailed to 12 13 the person at the last known address shown on the department's records. The notice of suspension is deemed 14 received three days after mailing. The notice of suspension 15 16 shall clearly specify the reason and statutory grounds for the suspension and the effective date of the suspension, the 17 right of the person to request a hearing, the procedure for 18 19 requesting a hearing, and the date by which that request for 20 a hearing must be made. If the request for a hearing is received by the department prior to the effective date of 21 the suspension, the effective date of the suspension will be 22 stayed until a final order is issued following the hearing. 23

24 2. Except as otherwise provided by law, neither the 25 fact that subsequent to the date of verification or conviction, the owner acquired the required liability 26 27 insurance policy nor the fact that the owner terminated ownership of the motor vehicle, shall have any bearing upon 28 29 the director's decision to suspend. Until it is terminated, the suspension shall remain in force after the registration 30 is renewed or a new registration is acquired for the motor 31 32 vehicle. The suspension also shall apply to any motor vehicle to which the owner transfers the registration. 33 Effective January 1, 2000, the department shall not extend 34

35 any suspension for failure to pay a delinquent late 36 surrender fee pursuant to this subsection.

303.420. As used in sections 303.420 to 303.440, 2 unless the context requires otherwise, the following terms 3 shall mean:

4 (1) "Program", the motor vehicle financial
5 responsibility enforcement and compliance incentive program
6 established under section 303.425;

7 (2) "Qualified agency", the department of revenue, the 8 Missouri state highway patrol, the prosecuting attorney or 9 sheriff's office of any county or city not within a county, 10 the chiefs of police of any city or municipality, or any 11 other authorized law enforcement agency recognized by the 12 state;

(3) "System" or "verification system", the web-based
 resource established under section 303.430 for online
 verification of motor vehicle financial responsibility.

303.422. There is hereby created in the state 1. 2 treasury the "Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility 3 Verification and Enforcement Fund", which shall consist of 4 money received by the department of revenue under sections 5 303.420 to 303.440. The state treasurer shall be custodian 6 of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, 7 the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund 8 shall be a dedicated fund and money in the fund shall be 9 used solely by the department of revenue for the administration of sections 303.420 to 303.440. 10

11 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to 12 the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of 13 the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general 14 revenue fund.

3. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund
in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any
interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be
credited to the fund.

There is hereby created within the 303.425. 1. (1) 2 department of revenue the motor vehicle financial 3 responsibility enforcement and compliance incentive 4 program. The department of revenue may enter into 5 contractual agreements with third-party vendors to 6 facilitate the necessary technology and equipment, 7 maintenance thereof, and associated program management 8 services, and may enter into contractual agreements with the Missouri office of prosecution services as provided in 9 sections 303.420 to 303.440. Where sections 303.420 to 10 303.440 authorize the department of revenue to enter into 11 12 contracts with a third-party vendor or the Missouri office 13 of prosecution services at its option, the department of revenue shall contract with the Missouri office of 14 prosecution services unless the Missouri office of 15 prosecution services declines to enter into the contract. 16

17 The department of revenue or a third-party vendor (2) shall utilize technology to compare vehicle registration 18 19 information with the financial responsibility information 20 accessible through the system. The department of revenue 21 shall utilize this information to identify motorists who are 22 in violation of the motor vehicle financial responsibility 23 law. The department of revenue may offer offenders under this program the option of pretrial diversion as an 24 25 alternative to statutory fines or reinstatement fees 26 prescribed under the motor vehicle financial responsibility 27 law as a method of encouraging compliance and discouraging 28 recidivism.

29 (3) All fees paid to or collected by third-party 30 vendors or the Missouri office of prosecution services under 31 sections 303.420 to 303.440 may come from violator diversion 32 fees generated by the pretrial diversion option established under this section. A contractual agreement between the 33 34 department of revenue and the Missouri office of prosecution services under sections 303.420 to 303.440 may provide for 35 36 retention by the Missouri office of prosecution services of 37 part or all of the violator diversion fees as consideration 38 for the contract.

39 2. The department of revenue may authorize law
40 enforcement agencies or third-party vendors to use
41 technology to collect data for the investigation, detection,
42 analysis, and enforcement of the motor vehicle financial
43 responsibility law.

3. The department of revenue may authorize traffic enforcement officers, third-party vendors, or the Missouri office of prosecution services to administer the processing and issuance of notices of violation, the collection of fees for a violation of the motor vehicle financial responsibility law, or the referral of cases for prosecution, under the program.

51 Access to the system shall be restricted to 4. 52 qualified agencies and the third-party vendors with which 53 the department of revenue contracts for purposes of the 54 program, provided that any third-party vendor with which a contract is executed to provide necessary technology, 55 equipment, or maintenance for the program shall be 56 authorized as necessary to collaborate for required updates 57 58 and maintenance of system software.

59 5. For purposes of the program, any data collected and 60 matched to a corresponding vehicle insurance record as

61 verified through the system, and any Missouri vehicle 62 registration database, may be used to identify violations of 63 the motor vehicle financial responsibility law. Such 64 corresponding data shall constitute evidence of the 65 violations.

66 6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the 67 department of revenue shall suspend, in accordance with 68 section 303.041, the registration of any motor vehicle that 69 is determined under the program to be in violation of the 70 motor vehicle financial responsibility law.

The department of revenue shall send to an owner 71 7. whose vehicle is identified under the program as being in 72 violation of the motor vehicle financial responsibility law 73 74 a notice that the vehicle's registration may be suspended 75 unless the owner, within thirty days, provides proof of 76 financial responsibility for the vehicle or proof, in a form 77 specified by the department of revenue, that the owner has a pending criminal charge for a violation of the motor vehicle 78 financial responsibility law. The notice shall include 79 80 information on steps an individual may take to obtain proof 81 of financial responsibility and a web address to a page on the department of revenue's website where information on 82 obtaining proof of financial responsibility shall be 83 84 provided. If proof of financial responsibility or a pending 85 criminal charge is not provided within the time allotted, the department of revenue shall provide a notice of 86 suspension and suspend the vehicle's registration in 87 accordance with section 303.041, or shall send a notice of 88 vehicle registration suspension, clearly specifying the 89 90 reason and statutory grounds for the suspension and the 91 effective date of the suspension, the right of the vehicle 92 owner to request a hearing, the procedure for requesting a

hearing, and the date by which that request for a hearing 93 94 must be made, as well as informing the owner that the matter 95 will be referred for prosecution if a satisfactory response is not received in the time allotted, informing the owner 96 that the minimum penalty for the violation is three hundred 97 98 dollars and four license points, and offering the owner participation in a pretrial diversion option to preclude 99 100 referral for prosecution and registration suspension under 101 sections 303.420 to 303.440. The notice of vehicle 102 registration suspension shall give a period of thirty-three 103 days from mailing for the vehicle owner to respond, and 104 shall be deemed received three days after mailing. If no request for a hearing or agreement to participate in the 105 106 diversion option is received by the department of revenue 107 prior to the date provided on the notice of vehicle 108 registration suspension, the director shall suspend the 109 vehicle's registration, effective immediately, and refer the case to the appropriate prosecuting attorney. 110 If an agreement by the vehicle owner to participate in the 111 diversion option is received by the department of revenue 112 113 prior to the effective date provided on the notice of vehicle registration suspension, then upon payment of a 114 115 diversion participation fee not to exceed two hundred 116 dollars, agreement to secure proof of financial 117 responsibility within the time provided on the notice of suspension, and agreement that such financial responsibility 118 shall be maintained for a minimum of two years, no points 119 120 shall be assessed to the vehicle owner's driver's license under section 302.302 and the department of revenue shall 121 122 not take further action against the vehicle owner under 123 sections 303.420 to 303.440, subject to compliance with the 124 terms of the pretrial diversion option. The department of

125 revenue shall suspend the vehicle registration of, and shall refer the case to the appropriate prosecuting attorney for 126 127 prosecution of, participating vehicle owners who violate the 128 terms of the pretrial diversion option. If a request for hearing is received by the department of revenue prior to 129 130 the effective date provided on the notice of vehicle registration suspension, then for all purposes other than 131 132 eligibility for participation in the diversion option, the 133 effective date of the suspension shall be stayed until a 134 final order is issued following the hearing. The department 135 of revenue shall suspend the registration of vehicles determined under the final order to have violated the motor 136 vehicle financial responsibility law, and shall refer the 137 138 case to the appropriate prosecuting attorney for 139 prosecution. Notices under this subsection shall be mailed 140 to the vehicle owner at the last known address shown on the 141 department of revenue's records. The department of revenue or its third-party vendor or the Missouri office of 142 prosecution services shall issue receipts for the collection 143 144 of diversion participation fees. Except as otherwise 145 provided in subsection 1 of this section, all such fees shall be deposited into the motor vehicle financial 146 147 responsibility verification and enforcement fund established 148 in section 303.422. A vehicle owner whose registration has 149 been suspended under sections 303.420 to 303.440 may obtain reinstatement of the registration upon providing proof of 150 financial responsibility and payment to the department of 151 152 revenue of a nonrefundable reinstatement fee equal to the fee that would be applicable under subsection 2 of section 153 154 303.042 if the registration had been suspended under section 155 303.041.

156 8. Data collected or retained under the program shall not be used by any entity for purposes other than 157 158 enforcement of the motor vehicle financial responsibility Data collected and stored by law enforcement under the 159 law. program shall be considered evidence if noncompliance with 160 161 the motor vehicle financial responsibility law is The evidence, and an affidavit stating that the 162 confirmed. 163 evidence and system have identified a particular vehicle as 164 being in violation of the motor vehicle financial 165 responsibility law, shall constitute probable cause for prosecution and shall be forwarded in accordance with 166 167 subsection 7 of this section to the appropriate prosecuting 168 attorney.

9. 169 Owners of vehicles identified under the program as 170 being in violation of the motor vehicle financial 171 responsibility law shall be provided with options for 172 disputing such claims which do not require appearance at any 173 state or local court of law, or administrative facility. Any person who presents timely proof that he or she was in 174 175 compliance with the motor vehicle financial responsibility 176 law at the time of the alleged violation shall be entitled 177 to dismissal of the charge with no assessment of fees or 178 Proof provided by a vehicle owner to the department fines. 179 of revenue that the vehicle was in compliance at the time of 180 the suspected violation of the motor vehicle financial responsibility law shall be recorded in the system 181 established by the department of revenue under section 182 183 303.430.

184 10. The collection of data or use of any technology 185 pursuant to this section shall be done in a manner that 186 prohibits any bias towards a specific community, race, 187 gender, or socioeconomic status of vehicle owner.

188 11. Law enforcement agencies, third-party vendors, or 189 other entities authorized to operate under the program shall 190 not sell data collected or retained under the program for 191 any purpose or share it for any purpose not expressly 192 authorized in this section. All data shall be secured and 193 any third-party vendor or other entity authorized to operate 194 under the program may be liable for any data security breach.

195 12. The department of revenue shall not take action 196 under sections 303.420 to 303.440 against vehicles 197 registered as fleet vehicles under section 301.032, or 198 against vehicles known to the department of revenue to be 199 insured under a policy of commercial auto coverage, as such 190 term is defined in subdivision (10) of subsection 2 of 191 section 303.430.

202 13. Following one year after the implementation of the program, and every year thereafter, the department of 203 204 revenue shall provide a report to the president pro tempore of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, 205 the chairs of the house and senate committees with 206 207 jurisdictions over insurance or transportation matters, and 208 the chairs of the house budget and senate appropriations 209 The report shall include an evaluation of committees. 210 program operations, information as to the costs of the 211 program incurred by the department of revenue, insurers, and 212 the public, information as to the effectiveness of the program in reducing the number of uninsured motor vehicles, 213 and anonymized demographic information including the race 214 215 and zip code of vehicle owners identified under the program as being in violation of the motor vehicle financial 216 217 responsibility law, and may include any additional 218 information and recommendations for improvement of the 219 program deemed appropriate by the department of revenue.

The department of revenue may, by rule, require the state, counties, and municipalities to provide information in order to complete the report.

The Missouri office of prosecution services in 223 14. 224 consultation with the department of revenue may promulgate 225 rules as necessary for the implementation of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in 226 227 section 536.010, that is created under the authority 228 delegated in this section shall become effective only if it 229 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. 230 This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the 231 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 232 233 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove 234 and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, 235 then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed 236 or adopted after August 28, 2022, shall be invalid and void.

303.430. The department of revenue shall establish 1. 2 and maintain a web-based system for the verification of 3 motor vehicle financial responsibility, shall provide access 4 to insurance reporting data and vehicle registration and financial responsibility data, and shall require motor 5 6 vehicle insurers to establish functionality for the 7 verification system, as provided in sections 303.420 to 8 303.440. The verification system, including any exceptions 9 as provided for in sections 303.420 to 303.440 or in the implementation guide developed to support the program, shall 10 supersede any existing verification system, and shall be the 11 sole system used for the purpose of verifying financial 12 responsibility required under this chapter. 13

14 2. The system established pursuant to subsection 1 of
 15 this section shall be subject to the following:

16 (1) The verification system shall transmit requests to insurers for verification of motor vehicle insurance 17 18 coverage via web services established by the insurers 19 through the internet in compliance with the specifications 20 and standards of the Insurance Industry Committee on Motor 21 Vehicle Administration, or "IICMVA". Insurance company systems shall respond to each request with a prescribed 22 23 response upon evaluation of the data provided in the 24 request. The system shall include appropriate protections 25 to secure its data against unauthorized access, and the 26 department of revenue shall maintain a historical record of the system data for a period of no more than twelve months 27 from the date of all requests and responses. The system 28 29 shall be used for verification of the financial 30 responsibility required under this chapter. The system 31 shall be accessible to authorized personnel of the 32 department of revenue, the courts, law enforcement personnel, and other entities authorized by the state as 33 permitted by state or federal privacy laws, and it shall be 34 35 interfaced, wherever appropriate, with existing state 36 The system shall include information enabling the systems. 37 department of revenue to submit inquiries to insurers regarding motor vehicle insurance which are consistent with 38 insurance industry and IICMVA recommendations, 39 40 specifications, and standards by using the following data elements for greater matching accuracy: insurer National 41 Association of Insurance Commissioners, or "NAIC", company 42 code; vehicle identification number; policy number; 43 verification date; or as otherwise described in the 44 45 specifications and standards of the IICMVA. The department of revenue shall promulgate rules to offer insurers who 46 insure one thousand or fewer vehicles within this state an 47

48 alternative method for verifying motor vehicle insurance 49 coverage in lieu of web services, and to provide for the 50 verification of financial responsibility when financial 51 responsibility is proven to the department to be maintained 52 by means other than a policy of motor vehicle insurance. 53 Insurers shall not be required to verify insurance coverage 54 for vehicles registered in other jurisdictions;

The verification system shall respond to each 55 (2) 56 request within a time period established by the department 57 of revenue. An insurer's system shall respond within the time period prescribed by the IICMVA's specifications and 58 59 standards. Insurer systems shall be permitted reasonable system downtime for maintenance and other work with advance 60 61 notice to the department of revenue. Insurers shall not be 62 subject to enforcement fees or other sanctions under such circumstances, or when systems are not available because of 63 64 emergency, outside attack, or other unexpected outages not planned by the insurer and reasonably outside its control; 65

The system shall assist in identifying violations 66 (3) of the motor vehicle financial responsibility law in the 67 68 most effective way possible. Responses to individual insurance verification requests shall have no bearing on 69 70 whether insurance coverage is determined to be in force at 71 the time of a claim. Claims shall be individually 72 investigated to determine the existence of coverage. Nothing in sections 303.420 to 303.440 shall prohibit the 73 department of revenue from contracting with a third-party 74 vendor or vendors who have successfully implemented similar 75 systems in other states to assist in establishing and 76 77 maintaining this verification system;

78 (4) The department of revenue shall consult with
 79 representatives of the insurance industry and may consult

80 with third-party vendors to determine the objectives,

81 details, and deadlines related to the system by

82 establishment of an advisory council. The advisory council
83 shall consist of voting members comprised of:

84 (a) The director of the department of commerce and
 85 insurance, or his or her designee, who shall serve as chair;

(b) Two representatives of the department of revenue,
 to be appointed by the director of the department of revenue;

(c) One representative of the department of commerce
and insurance, to be appointed by the director of the
department of commerce and insurance;

91 (d) Three representatives of insurance companies, to
92 be appointed by the director of the department of commerce
93 and insurance;

94 (e) One representative from the Missouri Insurance95 Coalition;

96 (f) One representative chosen by the National
97 Association of Mutual Insurance Companies;

98 (g) One representative chosen by the American Property
 99 and Casualty Insurance Association;

(h) One representative chosen by the Missouri
Independent Agents Association; and

102 (i) Such other representatives as may be appointed by
103 the director of the department of commerce and insurance;

104 (5) The department of revenue shall publish for
 105 comment, and then issue, a detailed implementation guide for
 106 its online verification system;

107 (6) The department of revenue and its third-party
108 vendors, if any, shall each maintain a contact person for
109 insurers during the establishment, implementation, and
110 operation of the system;

If the department of revenue has reason to believe 111 (7) 112 a vehicle owner does not maintain financial responsibility 113 as required under this chapter, it may also request an 114 insurer to verify the existence of such financial responsibility in a form approved by the department of 115 116 revenue. In addition, insurers shall cooperate with the department of revenue in establishing and maintaining the 117 verification system established under this section, and 118 119 shall provide motor vehicle insurance policy status 120 information as provided in the rules promulgated by the 121 department of revenue;

(8) Every property and casualty insurance company
licensed to issue motor vehicle insurance or authorized to
do business in this state shall comply with sections 303.420
to 303.440, and corresponding rules promulgated by the
department of revenue, for the verification of such
insurance for every vehicle insured by that company in this
state;

(9) Insurers shall maintain a historical record of
insurance data for a minimum period of six months from the
date of policy inception or policy change for the purpose of
historical verification inquiries;

133 For the purposes of this section, "commercial (10)134 auto coverage" shall mean any coverage provided to an insured, regardless of number of vehicles or entities 135 covered, under a commercial coverage form and rated from a 136 commercial manual approved by the department of commerce and 137 138 Sections 303.420 to 303.440 shall not apply to insurance. vehicles insured under commercial auto coverage; however, 139 140 insurers of such vehicles may participate on a voluntary 141 basis, and vehicle owners may provide proof at or subsequent 142 to the time of vehicle registration that a vehicle is

143 insured under commercial auto coverage, which the department 144 of revenue shall record in the system;

145 (11)Insurers shall provide commercial or fleet automobile customers with evidence reflecting that the 146 vehicle is insured under a commercial or fleet automobile 147 148 liability policy. Sufficient evidence shall include an insurance identification card clearly marked with a suitable 149 150 identifier such as "commercial auto insurance identification 151 card", "fleet auto insurance identification card", or other 152 clear identification that the vehicle is insured under a fleet or commercial policy; 153

(12) Notwithstanding any provision of sections 303.420
to 303.440, insurers shall be immune from civil and
administrative liability for good faith efforts to comply
with the terms of sections 303.420 to 303.440;

(13) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an insurer
from using the services of a third-party vendor for
facilitating the verification system required under sections
303.420 to 303.440.

162 3. The department of revenue shall promulgate rules as 163 necessary for the implementation of sections 303.420 to 303.440. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is 164 defined in section 536.010, that is created under the 165 166 authority delegated in this section shall become effective 167 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 168 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and 169 170 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly 171 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective 172 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently 173 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking

authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,
2022, shall be invalid and void.

303.440. The verification system established under 2 section 303.430 shall be installed and fully operational on 3 January 1, 2024, following an appropriate testing or pilot 4 period of not less than nine months. Until the successful completion of the testing or pilot period in the judgment of 5 6 the director of the department of revenue, no enforcement 7 action shall be taken based on the system, including but not limited to action taken under the program established under 8 section 303.425. 9

319.129. 1. There is hereby created a special trust 2 fund to be known as the "Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund" within the state treasury which shall be the successor 3 to the underground storage tank insurance fund. Moneys in 4 5 such special trust fund shall not be deemed to be state 6 funds. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, moneys in the fund shall not be transferred to 7 8 general revenue at the end of each biennium.

9 2. The owner or operator of any underground storage tank, including the state of Missouri and its political 10 subdivisions and public transportation systems, in service 11 on August 28, 1989, shall submit to the department a fee of 12 one hundred dollars per tank on or before December 31, 13 The owner or operator of any underground storage tank 14 1989. 15 who seeks to participate in the petroleum storage tank 16 insurance fund, including the state of Missouri and its political subdivisions and public transportation systems, 17 18 and whose underground storage tank is brought into service after August 28, 1998, shall transmit one hundred dollars 19 per tank to the board with his or her initial application. 20 Such amount shall be a one-time payment, and shall be in 21

22 addition to the payment required by section 319.133. The 23 owner or operator of any aboveground storage tank regulated 24 by this chapter, including the state of Missouri and its political subdivisions and public transportation systems, 25 26 who seeks to participate in the petroleum storage tank 27 insurance fund, shall transmit one hundred dollars per tank 28 to the board with his or her initial application. Such 29 amount shall be a one-time payment and shall be in addition 30 to the payment required by section 319.133. Moneys received 31 pursuant to this section shall be transmitted to the director of revenue for deposit in the petroleum storage 32 tank insurance fund. 33

34 3. The state treasurer may deposit moneys in the fund 35 in any of the qualified depositories of the state. All such 36 deposits shall be secured in a manner and upon the terms as 37 are provided by law relative to state deposits. Interest 38 earned shall be credited to the petroleum storage tank 39 insurance fund.

40 4. The general administration of the fund and the responsibility for the proper operation of the fund, 41 including all decisions relating to payments from the fund, 42 are hereby vested in a board of trustees. The board of 43 trustees shall consist of the commissioner of administration 44 45 or the commissioner's designee, the director of the department of natural resources or the director's designee, 46 47 the director of the department of agriculture or the 48 director's designee, and eight citizens appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. 49 Three 50 of the appointed members shall be owners or operators of 51 retail petroleum storage tanks, including one tank owner or operator of greater than one hundred tanks; one tank owner 52 or operator of less than one hundred tanks; and one 53

aboveground storage tank owner or operator. One appointed 54 trustee shall represent a financial lending institution, and 55 56 one appointed trustee shall represent the insurance underwriting industry. One appointed trustee shall 57 represent industrial or commercial users of petroleum. 58 The 59 two remaining appointed citizens shall have no petroleumrelated business interest, and shall represent the 60 61 nonregulated public at large. The members appointed by the governor shall serve four-year terms except that the 62 63 governor shall designate two of the original appointees to be appointed for one year, two to be appointed for two 64 years, two to be appointed for three years and two to be 65 66 appointed for four years. Any vacancies occurring on the board shall be filled in the same manner as provided in this 67 section. 68

[The board shall meet in Jefferson City, Missouri, 69 5. 70 within thirty days following August 28, 1996. Thereafter,] The board shall meet upon the written call of the chairman 71 72 of the board or by the agreement of any six members of the board. Notice of each meeting shall be delivered to all 73 other trustees in person or by registered mail not less than 74 75 six days prior to the date fixed for the meeting. The board may meet at any time by unanimous mutual consent. 76 There 77 shall be at least one meeting in each quarter.

6. Six trustees shall constitute a quorum for the
transaction of business, and any official action of the
board shall be based on a majority vote of the trustees
present.

82 7. The trustees shall serve without compensation but
83 shall receive from the fund their actual and necessary
84 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties for the
85 board.

86 8. The board of trustees shall be a type III agency 87 and shall appoint an executive director and other employees 88 as needed, who shall be state employees and be eligible for all corresponding benefits. The executive director shall 89 90 have charge of the offices, operations, records, and other 91 employees of the board, subject to the direction of the Employees of the board shall receive such salaries 92 board. and necessary expenses as shall be fixed by the board. 93

94 Staff resources for the Missouri petroleum storage 9. 95 tank insurance fund may be provided by the department of natural resources or another state agency as otherwise 96 specifically determined by the board. The fund shall 97 compensate the department of natural resources or other 98 99 state agency for all costs of providing staff required by 100 this subsection. Such compensation shall be made pursuant 101 to contracts negotiated between the board and the department 102 of natural resources or other state agency.

10. In order to carry out the fiduciary management of 103 104 the fund, the board may select and employ, or may contract 105 with, persons experienced in insurance underwriting, 106 accounting, the servicing of claims and rate making, and 107 legal counsel to defend third-party claims, who shall serve at the board's pleasure. Invoices for such services shall 108 109 be presented to the board in sufficient detail to allow a 110 thorough review of the costs of such services.

111 11. [At the first meeting of the board,] The board 112 shall elect one of its members as chairman. The chairman 113 shall preside over meetings of the board and perform such 114 other duties as shall be required by action of the board.

115 12. The board shall elect one of its members as vice116 chairman, and the vice chairman shall perform the duties of

117 the chairman in the absence of the latter or upon the 118 chairman's inability or refusal to act.

119 13. The board shall determine and prescribe all rules 120 and regulations as they relate to fiduciary management of 121 the fund, pursuant to the purposes of sections 319.100 to 122 319.137. In no case shall the board have oversight 123 regarding environmental cleanup standards for petroleum 124 storage tanks.

125 14. No trustee or staff member of the fund shall 126 receive any gain or profit from any moneys or transactions 127 of the fund. This shall not preclude any eligible trustee 128 from making a claim or receiving benefits from the petroleum 129 storage tank insurance fund as provided by sections 319.100 130 to 319.137.

131 15. The board may reinsure all or a portion of the
132 fund's liability. Any insurer who sells environmental
133 liability insurance in this state may, at the option of the
134 board, reinsure some portion of the fund's liability.

135 16. The petroleum storage tank insurance fund shall
136 expire on December 31, [2025] 2030, unless extended by
137 action of the general assembly. After December 31, [2025]
138 2030, the board of trustees may continue to function for the
139 sole purpose of completing payment of claims made prior to
140 December 31, [2025] 2030.

141 17. The board shall annually commission an independent 142 financial audit of the petroleum storage tank insurance fund. The board shall biennially commission an actuarial 143 analysis of the petroleum storage tank insurance fund. The 144 results of the financial audit and the actuarial analysis 145 146 shall be made available to the public. The board may 147 contract with third parties to carry out the requirements of this subsection. 148

375.159. 1. As used in this section, the following 2 terms shall mean:

3 (1) "Aggregator site", a website that provides 4 information regarding insurance products from more than one 5 insurer, including product and insurer information, for use 6 in comparison shopping;

7 (2) "Blanket travel insurance", a policy of travel 8 insurance issued to any eligible group providing coverage 9 for specific classes of persons defined in the policy, with 10 coverage provided to all members of the eligible group 11 without a separate charge to individual members of the 12 eligible group;

(3) "Cancellation fee waiver", a contractual agreement
between a supplier of travel services and its customer to
waive some or all of the nonrefundable cancellation fee
provisions of the supplier's underlying travel contract with
or without regard to the reason for the cancellation or form
of reimbursement. A cancellation fee waiver is not
insurance;

20 (4) "Director", the director of the department of
21 commerce and insurance;

(5) "Eligible group", solely for the purpose of travel
insurance, two or more persons who are engaged in a common
enterprise or have an economic, educational, or social
affinity or relationship, including but not limited to any
of the following:

(a) Any entity engaged in the business of providing
travel or travel services, including but not limited to:
tour operators, lodging providers, vacation property owners,
hotels and resorts, travel clubs, travel agencies, property
managers, cultural exchange programs, and common carriers or
the operator, owner, or lessor of a means of transportation

of passengers including, but not limited to, airlines, cruise lines, railroads, steamship companies, and public bus carriers, in which there is a common exposure to risk attendant to the particular type of travel or traveler for all members or customers of the group;

38 (b) Any college, school, or other institution of
 39 learning, covering students, teachers, employees, or
 40 volunteers;

41 (c) Any employer covering any group of employees,
42 volunteers, contractors, members of boards of directors,
43 dependents, or guests;

(d) Any sports team, camp, or sponsor thereof,
covering participants, members, campers, employees,
officials, supervisors, or volunteers;

47 (e) Any religious, charitable, recreational,
48 educational, or civic organization, or branch thereof,
49 covering any group of members, participants, or volunteers;

(f) Any financial institution, financial institution vendor, or parent holding company, trustee, or agent of or designated by one or more financial institutions or financial institution vendors, including accountholders, credit card holders, debtors, guarantors, or purchasers;

(g) Any incorporated or unincorporated association, including any labor union, having a common interest, constitution, and bylaws, and organized and maintained in good faith for purposes other than obtaining insurance for members or participants of such association covering its members;

(h) Any trust or the trustees of a fund established,
created, or maintained for the benefit of and covering
members, employees, or customers of one or more associations
meeting the requirements of paragraph (g) of this

subdivision, subject to the director's permission of the use
of a trust and the state's premium tax provisions described
in subsection 4 of this section;

68 (i) Any entertainment production company covering any
69 group of participants, volunteers, audience members,
70 contestants, or workers;

(j) Any volunteer fire department, ambulance, rescue,
police, court, first aid, civil defense, or other such
volunteer group;

74 (k) Preschools, day care institutions for children or
 75 adults, and senior citizen clubs;

(1) Any automobile or truck rental or leasing company
covering a group of persons who may become renters, lessees,
or passengers defined by their travel status on the rented
or leased vehicles. The common carrier; the operator,
owner, or lessor of a means of transportation; or the
automobile or truck rental or leasing company is the
policyholder under a policy to which this section applies; or

(m) Any other group for which the director has
determined that the members are engaged in a common
enterprise or have an economic, educational, or social
affinity or relationship and that issuance of the policy
would not be contrary to the public interest;

(6) "Fulfillment materials", documentation sent to the
purchaser of a travel protection plan confirming the
purchase and providing the travel protection plan's coverage
and assistance details;

92 (7) "Group travel insurance", travel insurance issued
93 to any eligible group;

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(8) "Limited lines travel insurance producer", a:

95 (a) Licensed managing general agent as provided by 96 sections 375.147 to 375.153 or third-party administrator; 97 [or]

98 (b) Licensed insurance producer as provided by chapter
99 375[;], including a limited lines producer, designated by
100 the insurer as the travel insurance supervising entity as
101 set forth in subdivision (7) of subsection [5] 3 of this
102 section below; or

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(c) Travel administrator;

104 [(2)] (9) "Offer and disseminate", provide general 105 information, including a description of the coverage and 106 price, as well as process the application, collect premiums, 107 and perform other nonlicensable activities permitted by the 108 state;

109 [(3)] (10) "Primary certificate holder", a person who
 110 elects and purchases travel insurance under a group policy;

(11) "Primary policyholder", a person who elects and
purchases individual travel insurance;

"Travel administrator", a person who directly or 113 (12)114 indirectly underwrites; collects charges, collateral, or 115 premiums from; or adjusts and settles claims on residents of 116 this state in connection with travel insurance; except that 117 a person shall not be considered a travel administrator if 118 that person's only actions that would otherwise cause the person to be considered a travel administrator are among the 119 120 following:

(a) A person working for a travel administrator to the
extent that the person's activities are subject to the
supervision and control of the travel administrator;

(b) An insurance producer selling insurance or engaged
 in administrative and claims-related activities within the
 scope of the producer's license;

(c) A travel retailer offering and disseminating
travel insurance and registered under the license of a
limited lines travel insurance producer in accordance with
this section;

(d) A person adjusting or settling claims in the
normal course of that person's practice or employment as an
attorney-at-law and who does not collect charges or premiums
in connection with insurance coverage; or

(e) A business entity that is affiliated with a
licensed insurer while acting as a travel administrator for
the direct and assumed insurance business of an affiliated
insurer;

"Travel assistance services", noninsurance 139 (13)140 services for which the consumer is not indemnified based on 141 a fortuitous event and in which providing the service does 142 not result in transfer or shifting of risk that would constitute the business of insurance. 143 The term "travel assistance services" includes, but is not limited to: 144 security advisories, destination information, vaccination 145 146 and immunization information services, travel reservation 147 services, entertainment, activity and event planning, translation assistance, emergency messaging, international 148 149 legal and medical referrals, medical case monitoring, 150 coordination of transportation arrangements, emergency cash 151 transfer assistance, medical prescription replacement assistance, passport and travel document replacement 152 assistance, lost luggage assistance, concierge services, and 153 any other service that is furnished in connection with 154 planned travel. Travel assistance services are not 155 156 insurance and not related to insurance;

"Travel insurance", insurance coverage for 157 (14)158 personal risks incident to planned travel, including, but 159 not limited to:

Interruption or cancellation of trip or event; 160 (a)

Loss of baggage or personal effects; 161 (b)

162 Damages to accommodations or rental vehicles; [or] (C) Sickness, accident, disability, or death occurring 163 (d) 164 during travel;

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(e) Emergency evacuation;

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(f) Repatriation of remains; or

167 Any other contractual obligations to indemnify or (q) pay a specified amount to the traveler upon determinable 168 contingencies related to travel as approved by the director. 169

170 Travel insurance does not include major medical plans, which 171 provide comprehensive medical protection for travelers with 172 trips lasting six months or longer, including, for example, 173 those persons working overseas as expatriates or military 174 personnel being deployed, or any other product that requires 175 a specific insurance producer license;

[(4)] (15) "Travel protection plans", plans that 176 177 provide one or more of the following:

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Travel insurance; (a)

179 (b) Travel assistance services; or

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Cancellation fee waivers; (c)

"Travel retailer", a business entity that makes, 181 (16)182 arranges, or offers travel services and may offer and 183 disseminate travel insurance as a service to its customers on behalf of and under the direction of a limited lines 184 travel insurance producer. 185

186 2. The requirements of this section shall apply (1) to travel insurance that covers any resident of this state 187

and is sold, solicited, negotiated, or offered in this state and policies and certificates that are delivered or issued for delivery in this state. Except as expressly provided in this section, the requirements of this section shall not apply to cancellation fee waivers or travel assistance services.

(2) All other applicable provisions of this state's
insurance laws shall continue to apply to travel insurance,
except that the specific provisions of this section shall
supersede any general provisions of law that would otherwise
be applicable to travel insurance.

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3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law:

200 The director may issue a limited lines travel (1)201 insurance producer license to a person or business entity 202 that has filed with the director an application for a limited lines travel insurance producer license in a form 203 204 and manner prescribed by the director. A limited lines 205 travel insurance producer shall be licensed to sell, solicit, or negotiate travel insurance through a licensed 206 207 No person shall act as a limited lines travel insurer. 208 insurance producer or travel retailer unless properly 209 licensed or registered, respectively;

210 (2) A travel retailer may offer and disseminate travel 211 insurance on behalf of and under the control of a limited 212 lines travel insurance producer only if the following 213 conditions are met:

(a) The limited lines travel insurance producer ortravel retailer provides to purchasers of travel insurance:

a. A description of the material terms or the actualmaterial terms of the insurance coverage;

218 b. A description of the process for filing a claim;

c. A description of the review or cancellation processfor the travel insurance policy; and

d. The identity and contact information of the insurerand limited lines travel insurance producer;

223 At the time of licensure, the limited lines travel (b) 224 insurance producer shall establish and maintain a register on a form prescribed by the director of each travel retailer 225 226 that offers travel insurance on the limited lines travel 227 insurance producer's behalf. The register shall be 228 maintained and updated annually by the limited lines travel 229 insurance producer and shall include the name, address, and 230 contact information of the travel retailer and an officer or person who directs or controls the travel retailer's 231 232 operations, and the travel retailer's federal tax 233 identification number. The limited lines travel insurance 234 producer shall submit such register within thirty days upon request by the department. The limited lines travel 235 insurance producer shall also certify that the travel 236 retailer [register] registered complies with 18 U.S.C. 237 238 1033. The grounds for suspension and revocation and the 239 penalties applicable to resident insurance producers under 240 sections 375.141 to 375.153 shall be applicable to the 241 limited lines travel insurance producers and travel 242 retailers;

(c) The limited lines travel insurance producer has designated one of its employees who is a licensed individual producer as a person responsible for the business entity's compliance with the travel insurance laws, rules, and regulations of this state;

(d) The designated person under paragraph (c) of this
subdivision, president, secretary, treasurer, and any other
officer or person who directs or controls the limited lines

251 travel insurance producer's insurance operations complies 252 with the fingerprinting requirements applicable to insurance

253 producers in the resident state of the [business entity]

254 limited lines travel insurance producer;

(e) The limited lines travel insurance producer has paid all applicable insurance producer licensing fees as set forth in applicable state law;

258 (f) The limited lines travel insurance producer 259 requires each employee and authorized representative of the 260 travel retailer whose duties include offering and disseminating travel insurance to receive a program of 261 instruction or training, which may be subject to review by 262 263 the director. The training material shall, at a minimum, contain instructions on the types of insurance offered, 264 ethical sales practices, and required disclosures to 265 266 prospective customers;

267 [(2)] (3) Any travel retailer offering or 268 disseminating travel insurance shall make available to 269 prospective purchasers brochures or other written materials 270 that have been approved by the travel insurer. Such 271 materials shall include information that, at a minimum, 272 shall:

(a) Provide the identity and contact information ofthe insurer and the limited lines travel insurance producer;

(b) Explain that the purchase of travel insurance is
not required to purchase any other product or service from
the travel retailer; and

(c) Explain that an unlicensed travel retailer is
permitted to provide general information about the insurance
offered by the travel retailer, including a description of
the coverage and price, but is not qualified or authorized
to answer technical questions about the terms and conditions

283 of the insurance offered by the travel retailer or to 284 evaluate the adequacy of the customer's existing insurance 285 coverage;

286 [(3)] (4) A travel retailer's employee or authorized 287 representative, who is not licensed as an insurance 288 producer, may not:

(a) Evaluate or interpret the technical terms,
benefits, and conditions of the offered travel insurance
coverage;

(b) Evaluate or provide advice concerning aprospective purchaser's existing insurance coverage; or

(c) Hold themselves or itself out as a licensedinsurer, licensed producer, or insurance expert[.];

[3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,] (5) 296 297 A travel retailer whose insurance-related activities, and 298 those of its employees and authorized representatives, are 299 limited to offering and disseminating travel insurance on behalf of and under the direction of a limited lines travel 300 insurance producer meeting the conditions stated in this 301 section is authorized to do so and receive related 302 303 compensation, upon registration by the limited lines travel insurance producer as described in paragraph (b) of 304 305 subdivision [(1)] (2) of this subsection [2 of this 306 section.];

307 [4.] (6) Travel insurance may be provided under an 308 individual policy or under a group or [master] blanket 309 policy[.];

310 [5.] (7) As the insurer designee, the limited lines 311 travel insurance producer is responsible for the acts of the 312 travel retailer and shall use reasonable means to ensure 313 compliance by the travel retailer with this section; and

(8) Any person licensed in a major line of authority as an insurance producer is authorized to sell, solicit, and negotiate travel insurance. A property and casualty insurance producer is not required to become appointed by an insurer in order to sell, solicit, or negotiate travel insurance.

4. (1) A travel insurer shall pay premium tax, as
provided in section 148.370, on travel insurance premiums
paid by any of the following:

323 (a) An individual primary policyholder who is a
 324 resident of this state;

325 (b) A primary certificate holder who is a resident of
326 this state who elects coverage under a group travel
327 insurance policy; or

328 A blanket travel insurance policyholder that is a (c) resident in this state or has its principal place of 329 330 business or the principal place of business of an affiliate or subsidiary that has purchased blanket travel insurance in 331 this state for eligible blanket group members, subject to 332 any apportionment rules that apply to the insurer across 333 334 multiple taxing jurisdictions or that permit the insurer to allocate premium on an apportioned basis in a reasonable and 335 336 equitable manner in those jurisdictions.

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(2) A travel insurer shall:

(a) Document the state of residence or principal place
of business of the policyholder or certificate holder, as
required in subdivision (1) of this subsection; and

(b) Report as premium only the amount allocable to
 travel insurance and not any amounts received for travel
 assistance services or cancellation fee waivers.

5. Travel protection plans may be offered for one
price for the combined features that the travel protection
plan offers in this state if:

(1) The travel protection plan clearly discloses to the consumer, at or prior to the time of purchase, that it includes travel insurance, travel assistance services, and cancellation fee waivers as applicable, and provides information and an opportunity, at or prior to the time of purchase, for the consumer to obtain additional information regarding the features and pricing of each;

354 (2) The fulfillment materials describe and delineate
 355 the travel insurance, travel assistance services, and
 356 cancellation fee waivers in the travel protection plan; and

(3) The fulfillment materials include the travel
insurance disclosures and the contact information for
persons providing travel assistance services and
cancellation fee waivers, as applicable.

6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, 361 (1) all persons offering travel insurance to residents of this 362 state are subject to sections 375.930 to 375.948. If there 363 364 is a conflict between this section and other provisions of chapters 361 to 385 regarding the sale and marketing of 365 travel insurance and travel protection plans, the provisions 366 367 of this section shall control.

368 (2) Offering or selling a travel insurance policy that
 369 could never result in payment of any claims for any insured
 370 under the policy is an unfair trade practice under sections
 371 375.930 to 375.948.

(3) (a) All documents provided to consumers prior to
the purchase of travel insurance, including but not limited
to sales materials, advertising materials, and marketing
materials, shall be consistent with the travel insurance

policy itself, including but not limited to forms,
endorsements, policies, rate filings, and certificates of
insurance.

379 (b) For travel insurance policies or certificates that 380 contain preexisting condition exclusions, information and an 381 opportunity to learn more about the preexisting condition 382 exclusions shall be provided any time prior to the time of 383 purchase, and in the coverage's fulfillment materials.

384 The fulfillment materials and the information (c) 385 described in paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of subsection 386 3 of this section shall be provided to a policyholder or certificate holder as soon as practicable following the 387 388 purchase of a travel protection plan. Unless the insured 389 has either started a covered trip or filed a claim under the 390 travel insurance coverage, a policyholder or certificate 391 holder may cancel a policy or certificate for a full refund 392 of the travel protection plan price from the date of purchase of a travel protection plan until at least: 393

a. Fifteen days following the date of delivery of the
 travel protection plan's fulfillment materials by postal
 mail; or

397 b. Ten days following the date of delivery of the
398 travel protection plan's fulfillment materials by means
399 other than postal mail.

For purposes of this paragraph, delivery means handing fulfillment materials to the policyholder or certificate holder or sending fulfillment materials by postal mail or electronic means to the policyholder or certificate holder. (d) The company shall disclose in the policy documentation and fulfillment materials whether the travel

406 insurance is primary or secondary to other applicable 407 coverage.

408 (e) Marketing travel insurance directly to a consumer
409 through an insurer's website or by others through an
410 aggregator site shall not be an unfair trade practice or
411 other violation of law if an accurate summary or short
412 description of coverage is provided on the web page and the
413 consumer has access to the full provisions of the policy
414 through electronic means.

(4) No person offering, soliciting, or negotiating travel insurance or travel protection plans on an individual or group basis shall do so by using negative option or optout that would require a consumer to take an affirmative action to deselect coverage, such as unchecking a box on an electronic form, when the consumer purchases a trip.

421 (5) It shall be an unfair trade practice to market
422 blanket travel insurance coverage as free.

(6) Where a consumer's destination jurisdiction
requires insurance coverage, it shall not be an unfair trade
practice to require that a consumer choose between the
following options as a condition of purchasing a trip or
travel package:

(a) Purchasing the coverage required by the
destination jurisdiction through the travel retailer or
limited lines travel insurance producer supplying the trip
or travel package; or

(b) Agreeing to obtain and provide proof of coverage
that meets the destination jurisdiction's requirements prior
to departure.

435 7. (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of 436 chapters 361 to 385, no person shall act or represent

437 himself or herself as a travel administrator for travel
438 insurance in this state unless the person:

(a) Is a licensed property and casualty insurance
producer in this state for activities permitted under that
producer license;

(b) Holds a valid managing general agent license inthis state; or

444 (c) Holds a valid third-party administrator license in
 445 this state.

446 (2) An insurer is responsible for the acts of a travel 447 administrator administering travel insurance underwritten by 448 the insurer, and is responsible for ensuring that the travel 449 administrator maintains all books and records relevant to 450 the insurer to be made available by the travel administrator 451 to the director upon request.

452 8. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of 453 chapters 361 to 385, travel insurance shall be classified and filed for purposes of rates and forms under an inland 454 marine line of insurance, except that travel insurance that 455 456 provides coverage for sickness, accident, disability, or death occurring during travel, either exclusively or in 457 conjunction with related coverages of emergency evacuation 458 459 or repatriation of remains or incidental limited property 460 and casualty benefits such as baggage or trip cancellation, may be filed under either an accident and health line of 461 insurance or an inland marine line of insurance. 462

463 (2) Eligibility and underwriting standards for travel
464 insurance may be developed and provided based on travel
465 protection plans designed for individual or identified
466 marketing or distribution channels, provided those standards
467 also meet the state's underwriting standards for an inland
468 marine line of insurance.

469 [6.] 9. The limited lines travel insurance producer
470 and any travel retailer offering and disseminating travel
471 insurance under the limited lines travel insurance producer
472 license shall be subject to the provisions of chapters 374
473 and 375, except as provided for in this section.

474 [7.] **10.** The director may promulgate rules to effectuate this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as 475 476 that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become 477 478 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of 479 the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and 480 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly 481 482 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective 483 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking 484 485 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2013, shall be invalid and void. 486

376.380. 1. The legal minimum standard for valuation
2 of policies and contracts and the reserves to be maintained
3 thereon shall be as follows:

4 (1) For those policies and contracts issued prior to
5 the operative date provided in subsection 20 of section
6 376.670:

Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of 7 (a) 8 this subsection, the legal minimum standard for valuation of policies of life insurance or annuity contracts issued prior 9 to April 13, 1934, shall be the Actuaries' or Combined 10 Experience Table of Mortality, with interest at the rate of 11 12 five percent per annum for group annuity contracts and four percent per annum for all other policies and contracts; and 13 for policies of life insurance and annuity contracts issued 14

15 on and after April 13, 1934, such minimum standard shall be 16 the American Experience Table of Mortality with interest at 17 the rate of five percent per annum for group annuity 18 contracts and three and one-half percent per annum for all 19 other policies and contracts;

(b) The director may vary the legal minimum standards of interest and mortality for annuity contracts and in particular cases of invalid or substandard lives and other extra hazards, and shall have the right and authority to designate the legal minimum standard for valuation of total and permanent disability benefits and additional accidental death benefits;

27 (C) Policies issued by companies doing business in this state may provide for not more than one year 28 preliminary term insurance by incorporating in the 29 30 provisions thereof, specifying the premium consideration to be received, a clause plainly showing that the first year's 31 insurance under such policies is term insurance, purchased 32 33 by the whole or a part of the premium to be received during the first policy year and shall be valued accordingly; 34 provided, that if the premium charged for term insurance 35 under a limited payment life preliminary term policy 36 providing for the payment of all premiums thereon in less 37 than twenty years from the date of the policy, or under an 38 endowment preliminary term policy, exceeds that charged for 39 40 life insurance twenty payment life preliminary term policies 41 of the same company, the reserve thereon at the end of any year, including the first, shall not be less than the 42 43 reserve on a twenty payment life preliminary term policy issued in the same year and at the same age, together with 44 an amount which shall be equivalent to the accumulation of a 45 net level premium sufficient to provide for a pure endowment 46

47 at the end of the premium payment period equal to the difference between the value at the end of such period of 48 49 such twenty payment life preliminary term policy and the full reserve at such time of such a limited payment life or 50 51 endowment policy. The premium payment period is the period during which premiums are concurrently payable under such 52 twenty payment life preliminary term policy and such limited 53 54 payment life or endowment policy;

55 (d) Reserves for all such policies and contracts may 56 be calculated, at the option of the company, according to any standards which produce greater aggregate reserves for 57 all such policies and contracts than the minimum reserves 58 59 required by this subdivision. In the case of policy obligations of an insolvent life insurance company assumed 60 or reinsured in bulk by an insurance company upon a basis 61 62 requiring a separate accounting of the business and assets of such insolvent company and an application of any part of 63 the earnings therefrom upon obligations which are not 64 65 implicit in the original terms of the policies or contracts assumed or reinsured, the director, in order to protect all 66 policyholders of the reinsuring company, including the 67 holders of all policies so assumed or reinsured, and to 68 safeguard the future solvency of such reinsuring company, 69 70 shall have the right and authority to designate standards of valuation for such reinsured policies and contracts which 71 72 will produce greater aggregate reserves for all such 73 policies and contracts than the minimum reserves required by this subdivision or the terms and provisions of the policies 74 and contracts so assumed or reinsured, and, in such event, 75 such reinsuring company shall not, thereafter, adopt any 76 lower standards of valuation without the approval of the 77 78 director.

79 (2) For those policies and contracts issued on or 80 after the operative date provided in subsection 20 of 81 section 376.670:

Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of 82 (a) this subsection and subsection 2 of this section, the 83 84 minimum standard for the valuation of all such policies and contracts shall be the commissioners reserve valuation 85 methods defined in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), and (h) of 86 this subdivision, three and one-half percent interest on all 87 88 such policies and contracts except those contracts specified in subparagraph c. of this paragraph which consist of 89 single premium annuity contracts and in subparagraph d. of 90 91 this paragraph which consists of group annuity contracts where the interest rate shall be five percent, and except 92 policies and contracts, other than annuity and pure 93 94 endowment contracts, issued on or after September 28, 1975, 95 where the interest rate shall be four percent interest for such policies issued prior to September 28, 1979, and four 96 and one-half percent interest for such policies issued on or 97 after September 28, 1979, and the following tables: 98

99 For all ordinary policies of life insurance issued a. 100 prior to the operative date provided in subsection 12 of 101 section 376.670 on the standard basis, excluding any 102 disability and accidental death benefits in such policies, 103 the Commissioners 1941 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table, and for such policies issued on or after the operative date 104 provided in subsection 12 of section 376.670, and prior to 105 the operative date of subsection 14 of section 376.670, the 106 Commissioners 1958 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table; 107 108 provided that for any category of such policies issued on or 109 after September 28, 1979, on female risks all modified net premiums and present values referred to in this section may 110

111 be calculated according to an age not more than six years 112 younger than the actual age of the insured; and for such 113 policies issued on or after the operative date of subsection 114 14 of section 376.670:

(i) The Commissioners 1980 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table; or

(ii) At the election of the company for any one or more specified plans of life insurance, the Commissioners 1980 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table with Ten-Year Select Mortality Factors; or

(iii) Any ordinary mortality table, adopted after 1980 by the NAIC, that is approved by regulation promulgated by the director for use in determining the minimum standard of valuation for such policies;

125 For all industrial life insurance policies issued b. on the standard basis, excluding any disability and 126 127 accidental death benefits in such policies, the 1941 Standard Industrial Mortality Table for such policies issued 128 prior to the operative date of subsection 13 of section 129 376.670 and for such policies issued on or after such 130 operative date, the Commissioners 1961 Standard Industrial 131 Mortality Table or any industrial mortality table, adopted 132 after 1980 by the NAIC, that is approved by regulation 133 134 promulgated by the director for use in determining the 135 minimum standard of valuation for such policies;

136 c. For individual annuity and pure endowment 137 contracts, excluding any disability and accidental death 138 benefits in such policies, the 1937 Standard Annuity 139 Mortality Table or, at the option of the company, the 140 Annuity Mortality Table for 1949, Ultimate, or any 141 modification of either of these tables approved by the 142 director;

d. For group annuity and pure endowment contracts,
excluding any disability and accidental death benefits in
such policies, the Group Annuity Mortality Table for 1951,
any modification of such table approved by the director, or,
at the option of the company, any of the tables or
modifications of tables specified for individual annuity and
pure endowment contracts;

150 For total and permanent disability benefits in or e. supplementary to ordinary policies or contracts, for 151 152 policies or contracts issued on or after January 1, 1966, 153 the tables of period two disablement rates and the 1930 to 154 1950 termination rates of the 1952 disability study of the Society of Actuaries, with due regard to the type of benefit 155 156 or any tables of disablement rates and termination rates, 157 adopted after 1980 by the NAIC, that are approved by 158 regulation promulgated by the director for use in 159 determining the minimum standard of valuation for such policies; for policies or contracts issued on or after 160 January 1, 1961, and prior to January 1, 1966, either such 161 tables or at the option of the company, the Class (3) 162 Disability Table (1926); and for policies issued prior to 163 January 1, 1961, the Class (3) Disability Table (1926). Any 164 such table shall, for active lives, be combined with a 165 166 mortality table permitted for calculating the reserves for 167 life insurance policies;

f. For accidental death benefits in or supplementary
to policies issued on or after January 1, 1966, the 1959
Accidental Death Benefits Table or any accidental death
benefits table, adopted after 1980 by the NAIC, that is
approved by regulation promulgated by the director for use
in determining the minimum standard of valuation for such
policies; for policies issued on or after January 1, 1961,

and prior to January 1, 1966, either such table or, at the option of the company, the Inter-Company Double Indemnity Mortality Table; and for policies issued prior to January 1, 178 1961, the Inter-Company Double Indemnity Mortality Table. 179 Either table shall be combined with a mortality table 180 permitted for calculating the reserves for life insurance 181 policies;

g. For group life insurance, life insurance issued on
the substandard basis and other special benefits, such
tables as may be approved by the director;

185 (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (d), (e), and (h) of this subdivision, reserves according to the 186 commissioners reserve valuation method, for the life 187 188 insurance and endowment benefits of policies providing for a 189 uniform amount of insurance and requiring the payment of 190 uniform premiums shall be the excess, if any, of the present 191 value, at the date of valuation, of such future guaranteed benefits provided for by such policies, over the then 192 present value of any future modified net premiums therefor. 193 194 The modified net premiums for any such policy shall be such uniform percentage of the respective contract premiums for 195 such benefits that the present value, at the date of issue 196 of the policy, of all such modified net premiums shall be 197 198 equal to the sum of the then present value of such benefits provided for by the policy and the excess of a. over b., as 199 200 follows:

a. A net level annual premium equal to the present
value, at the date of issue, of such benefits provided for
after the first policy year, divided by the present value,
at the date of issue, of an annuity of one per annum payable
on the first and each subsequent anniversary of such policy
on which a premium falls due; provided, however, that such

207 net level annual premium shall not exceed the net level 208 annual premium on the nineteen year premium whole life plan 209 for insurance of the same amount at an age one year higher 210 than the age at issue of such policy;

b. A net one year term premium for such benefit 211 provided for in the first policy year; provided, that for 212 213 any life insurance policy issued on or after January 1, 214 1986, for which the contract premium in the first policy year exceeds that of the second year and for which no 215 216 comparable additional benefit is provided in the first year 217 for such excess and which provides an endowment benefit or a cash surrender value or a combination thereof in an amount 218 greater than such excess premium, the reserve according to 219 220 the commissioners reserve valuation method as of any policy 221 anniversary occurring on or before the assumed ending date 222 defined herein as the first policy anniversary on which the 223 sum of any endowment benefit and any cash surrender value then available is greater than such excess premium shall, 224 225 except as otherwise provided in paragraph (h) of this subdivision, be the greater of the reserve as of such policy 226 anniversary calculated as described in paragraph (b) of this 227 subdivision and the reserve as of such policy anniversary 228 229 calculated as described in paragraph (b) of this 230 subdivision, but with:

(i) The value defined in subparagraph a. of paragraph
(b) of this subdivision being reduced by fifteen percent of
the amount of such excess first year premium;

(ii) All present values of benefits and premiums being
determined without reference to premiums or benefits
provided for by the policy after the assumed ending date;

237 (iii) The policy being assumed to mature on such date238 as an endowment; and

(iv) The cash surrender value provided on such datebeing considered as an endowment benefit.

241 In making the above comparison the mortality and interest 242 bases stated in paragraph (a) of this subdivision and 243 subsection 2 of this section shall be used;

(c) Reserves according to the commissioners reservevaluation method for:

a. Life insurance policies providing for a varying
amount of insurance or requiring the payment of varying
premiums;

249 b. Group annuity and pure endowment contracts 250 purchased under a retirement plan or plan of deferred 251 compensation, established or maintained by an employer 252 (including a partnership or sole proprietorship) or by an 253 employee organization, or by both, other than a plan providing individual retirement accounts or individual 254 retirement annuities under Section 408 of the Internal 255 256 Revenue Code, as now or hereafter amended;

257 c. Disability and accidental death benefits in all258 policies and contracts; and

d. All other benefits, except life insurance and
endowment benefits in life insurance policies and benefits
provided by all other annuity and pure endowment contracts,
shall be calculated by a method consistent with the
principles of paragraph (b) of this subdivision;

(d) Paragraph (e) of this subdivision shall apply to
all annuity and pure endowment contracts other than group
annuity and pure endowment contracts purchased under a
retirement plan or plan of deferred compensation,
established or maintained by an employer (including a
partnership or sole proprietorship), or by an employee

270 organization, or by both, other than a plan providing 271 individual retirement accounts or individual retirement 272 annuities under Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code, as 273 now or hereafter amended;

Reserves according to the commissioners annuity 274 (e) 275 reserve method for benefits under annuity or pure endowment contracts, excluding any disability and accidental death 276 benefits in such contracts, shall be the greatest of the 277 respective excesses of the present values, at the date of 278 279 valuation, of the future guaranteed benefits, including 280 quaranteed nonforfeiture benefits, provided for by such contracts at the end of each respective contract year, over 281 the present value, at the date of valuation, of any future 282 283 valuation considerations derived from future gross 284 considerations, required by the terms of such contract, that 285 become payable prior to the end of such respective contract 286 The future guaranteed benefits shall be determined by year. using the mortality table, if any, and the interest rate, or 287 rates, specified in such contracts for determining 288 quaranteed benefits. The valuation considerations are the 289 290 portions of the respective gross considerations applied 291 under the terms of such contracts to determine nonforfeiture 292 values;

293 In no event shall a company's aggregate reserves (f) for all life insurance policies, excluding disability and 294 accidental death benefits, be less than the aggregate 295 reserves calculated in accordance with the method set forth 296 in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (h) and (i) of this 297 subdivision and the mortality table or tables and rate or 298 299 rates of interest used in calculating nonforfeiture benefits 300 for such policies;

(g) In no event shall the aggregate reserves for all policies, contracts and benefits be less than the aggregate reserves determined by the qualified actuary to be necessary to render the opinion required by subsections 4 and 5 of this section;

306 If in any contract year the gross premium charged (h) by any life insurance company on any policy or contract is 307 308 less than the valuation net premium for the policy or 309 contract calculated by the method used in calculating the 310 reserve thereon but using the minimum valuation standards of mortality and rate of interest, the minimum reserve required 311 for such policy or contract shall be the greater of either 312 the reserve calculated according to the mortality table, 313 314 rate of interest, and method actually used for such policy 315 or contract, or the reserve calculated by the method 316 actually used for such policy or contract but using the 317 minimum valuation standards of mortality and rate of interest and replacing the valuation net premium by the 318 actual gross premium in each contract year for which the 319 valuation net premium exceeds the actual gross premium. 320 The minimum valuation standards of mortality and rate of 321 322 interest referred to in this section are those standards stated in paragraph (a) of this subdivision and subsection 2 323 324 of this section; provided, that for any life insurance policy issued on or after January 1, 1986, for which the 325 gross premium in the first policy year exceeds that of the 326 second year and for which no comparable additional benefit 327 is provided in the first year for such excess and which 328 provides an endowment benefit or a cash surrender value or a 329 330 combination thereof in an amount greater than such excess premium, the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall be 331 applied as if the method actually used in calculating the 332

reserve for such policy were the method described in paragraph (b) of this subdivision. The minimum reserve at each policy anniversary of such a policy shall be the greater of the minimum reserve calculated in accordance with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subdivision and the minimum reserve calculated in accordance with this paragraph;

In the case of any plan of life insurance which 339 (i) 340 provides for future premium determination, the amounts of 341 which are to be determined by the insurance company based on 342 then estimates of future experience, or in the case of any plan of life insurance or annuity which is of such a nature 343 that the minimum reserves cannot be determined by the 344 345 methods described in paragraphs (b) to (e) of this 346 subdivision, and paragraph (h) of this subdivision, the 347 reserves which are held under any such plan must:

348 a. Be appropriate in relation to the benefits and the349 pattern of premiums for that plan; and

b. Be computed by a method which is consistent with
the principles of this section as determined by regulations
promulgated by the director.

353 (3) Except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, the minimum standard for the valuation of all 354 individual annuity and pure endowment contracts issued on or 355 356 after the operative date of this subdivision, as defined 357 herein, and for all annuities and pure endowments purchased 358 on or after such operative date under group annuity and pure endowment contracts, shall be the commissioners reserve 359 valuation methods defined in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), and 360 (e) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, and the following 361 362 tables and interest rates:

363 (a) For individual annuity and pure endowment364 contracts issued prior to September 28, 1979, excluding any

365 disability and accidental death benefits in such contracts, 366 the 1971 Individual Annuity Mortality Table, or any 367 modification of this table approved by the director, and six 368 percent interest for single premium immediate annuity 369 contracts, and four percent interest for all other 370 individual annuity and pure endowment contracts;

For individual single premium immediate annuity 371 (b) 372 contracts issued on or after September 28, 1979, excluding any disability and accidental death benefits in such 373 374 contracts, the 1971 Individual Annuity Mortality Table, or any individual annuity mortality table adopted after 1980 by 375 the NAIC, that is approved by regulation promulgated by the 376 377 director for use in determining the minimum standard of 378 valuation for such contracts, or any modification of these 379 tables approved by the director, and seven and one-half 380 percent interest;

381 (c) For individual annuity and pure endowment contracts issued on or after September 28, 1979, other than 382 383 single premium immediate annuity contracts, excluding any disability and accidental death benefits in such contracts, 384 the 1971 Individual Annuity Mortality Table, or any 385 individual annuity mortality table adopted after 1980 by the 386 NAIC, that is approved by regulation promulgated by the 387 388 director for use in determining the minimum standard of valuation for such contracts, or any modification of these 389 tables approved by the director, and five and one-half 390 percent interest for single premium deferred annuity and 391 pure endowment contracts and four and one-half percent 392 interest for all other such individual annuity and pure 393 394 endowment contracts;

395 (d) For all annuities and pure endowments purchased396 prior to September 28, 1979, under group annuity and pure

397 endowment contracts, excluding any disability and accidental 398 death benefits purchased under such contracts, the 1971 399 Group Annuity Mortality Table, or any modification of this 400 table approved by the director, and six percent interest;

401 For all annuities and pure endowments purchased on (e) 402 or after September 28, 1979, under group annuity and pure endowment contracts, excluding any disability and accidental 403 404 death benefits purchased under such contracts, the 1971 Group Annuity Mortality Table, or any group annuity 405 406 mortality table adopted after 1980 by the NAIC, that is 407 approved by regulation promulgated by the director for use in determining the minimum standard of valuation for such 408 annuities and pure endowments, or any modification of these 409 410 tables approved by the director, and seven and one-half 411 percent interest;

412 (f) On and after September 28, 1975, any company may 413 file with the director a written notice of its election to comply with the provisions of this subdivision after a 414 specified date before January 1, 1980, which shall be the 415 operative date of this subdivision for such company, 416 417 provided a company may elect a different operative date for individual annuity and pure endowment contracts from that 418 elected for group annuity and pure endowment contracts. 419 If 420 a company makes no such election, the operative date of this 421 subdivision for such company shall be January 1, 1980.

422 2. (1) The calendar year statutory valuation interest
423 rates as defined in this subsection shall be the interest
424 rates used in determining the minimum standard for the
425 valuation of:

426 (a) All life insurance policies issued in a particular
427 calendar year, on or after the operative date of subsection
428 14 of section 376.670;

(b) All individual annuity and pure endowment
contracts issued in a particular calendar year on or after
January 1, 1983;

432 (c) All annuities and pure endowment contracts
433 purchased in a particular calendar year on or after January
434 1, 1983, under group annuity and pure endowment contracts;
435 and

(d) The net increase, if any, in a particular calendar
year after January 1, 1983, in amounts held under guaranteed
interest contracts.

439 (2) The calendar year statutory valuation interest
440 rates, I, shall be determined as follows and the results
441 rounded to the nearer one-quarter of one percent:

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(a) For life insurance:

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I = .03 + W (R1 - .03) + W/2 (R2 - .09);

444 (b) For single premium immediate annuities and for
445 annuity benefits involving life contingencies arising from
446 other annuities with cash settlement options and from
447 guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement options:

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I =.03 + W (R -.03), where R1 is the lesser of R and .09; R2 is the greater of R and .09; R is the reference interest rate defined in this subsection; and W is the weighting factor

452 defined in this subsection;

453 (c) For other annuities with cash settlement options 454 and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement 455 options, valued on an issue year basis, except as stated in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, the formula for life 456 insurance stated in paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall 457 458 apply to annuities and guaranteed interest contracts with 459 quarantee durations in excess of ten years and the formula for single premium immediate annuities stated in paragraph 460

461 (b) of this subdivision shall apply to annuities and
462 guaranteed interest contracts with guarantee durations of
463 ten years or less;

(d) For other annuities with no cash settlement
options and for guaranteed interest contracts with no cash
settlement options, the formula for single premium immediate
annuities stated in paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall
apply;

469 For other annuities with cash settlement options (e) 470 and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement options, valued on a change in fund basis, the formula for 471 single premium immediate annuities stated in paragraph (b) 472 473 of this subdivision shall apply. If the calendar year 474 statutory valuation interest rate for any life insurance policies issued in any calendar year determined without 475 476 reference to this sentence differs from the corresponding 477 actual rate for similar policies issued in the immediately preceding calendar year by less than one-half of one 478 479 percent, the calendar year statutory valuation interest rate for such life insurance policies shall be equal to the 480 corresponding actual rate for the immediately preceding 481 calendar year. For purposes of applying the immediately 482 preceding sentence, the calendar year statutory valuation 483 484 interest rate for life insurance policies issued in a 485 calendar year shall be determined for 1980 (using the reference interest rate defined for 1979) and shall be 486 487 determined for each subsequent calendar year regardless of when subsection 14 of section 376.670 becomes operative. 488

489 (3) The weighting factors referred to in the formulas
490 stated in subdivision (2) of this subsection are given in
491 the following tables:

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(a) Weighting factors for life insurance:

493 Guarantee Weighting 494 Duration Factors 495 (Years) 496 10 or less .50 More than 10, but not more 497 .45 than 20 498 499 More than 20 .35

500 For life insurance, the guarantee duration is the maximum 501 number of years the life insurance can remain in force on a 502 basis guaranteed in the policy or under options to convert 503 to plans of life insurance with premium rates or 504 nonforfeiture values or both which are guaranteed in the 505 original policy;

(b) Weighting factor for single premium immediate
annuities and for annuity benefits involving life
contingencies arising from other annuities with cash
settlement options and guaranteed interest contracts with
cash settlement options: .80;

(c) Weighting factors for other annuities and for guaranteed interest contracts, except as stated in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, shall be as specified in subparagraphs a., b., and c. of this paragraph, according to the rules and definitions in subparagraphs d., e., and f. of this paragraph:

517 a. For annuities and guaranteed interest contracts518 valued on an issue year basis:

519	Guarantee	Weighting Factor		
520	Duration	for Plan Type		
521	(Years)	А	В	С

522	5 or less:	.80	.60	.50
523 524	More than 5, but not more than 10:	.75	.60	.50
525 526	More than 10, but not more than 20:	.65	.50	.45
527	More than 20:	.45	.35	.35

b. For annuities and guaranteed interest contracts
valued on a change in fund basis, the factors shown in
subparagraph a. of this paragraph increased by:

531 Plan Type

532	A	В	С
533	.15	.25	.05

534 c. For annuities and guaranteed interest contracts valued on an issue year basis (other than those with no cash 535 536 settlement options) which do not guarantee interest on considerations received more than one year after issue or 537 purchase and for annuities and guaranteed interest contracts 538 539 valued on a change in fund basis which do not guarantee 540 interest rates on considerations received more than twelve 541 months beyond the valuation date, the factors shown in 542 subparagraph a. of this paragraph or derived in subparagraph 543 b. of this paragraph increased by:

544	Plan	Туре	
545	A	В	С

546 .05 .05 .05

547 d. For other annuities with cash settlement options 548 and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement 549 options, the guarantee duration is the number of years for 550 which the contract guarantees interest rates in excess of 551 the calendar year statutory valuation interest rate for life 552 insurance policies with guarantee duration in excess of twenty years. For other annuities with no cash settlement 553 554 options and for guaranteed interest contracts with no cash 555 settlement options, the guarantee duration is the number of 556 years from the date of issue or date of purchase to the date 557 annuity benefits are scheduled to commence;

e. Plan type as used in subparagraphs a., b., and c.of this paragraph is defined as follows:

560 Plan Type A: At any time policyholder may withdraw 561 funds only with an adjustment to reflect changes in interest 562 rates or asset values since receipt of the funds by the 563 insurance company, or without such adjustment but in 564 installments over five years or more, or as an immediate 565 life annuity, or no withdrawal permitted;

Plan Type B: Before expiration of the interest rate 566 567 quarantee, policyholder may withdraw funds only with an adjustment to reflect changes in interest rates or asset 568 569 values since receipt of the funds by the insurance company, 570 or without such adjustment but in installments over five 571 years or more, or no withdrawal permitted. At the end of interest rate guarantee, funds may be withdrawn without such 572 adjustment in a single sum or installments over fewer than 573 574 five years;

575 Plan Type C: Policyholder may withdraw funds before
576 expiration of interest rate guarantee in a single sum or
577 installments over fewer than five years either without
578 adjustment to reflect changes in interest rates or asset

579 values since receipt of the funds by the insurance company, 580 or subject only to a fixed surrender charge stipulated in 581 the contract as a percentage of the fund;

f. A company may elect to value guaranteed interest 582 contracts with cash settlement options and annuities with 583 584 cash settlement options on either an issue year basis or on a change in fund basis. Guaranteed interest contracts with 585 586 no cash settlement options and other annuities with no cash settlement options must be valued on an issue year basis. 587 588 As used in this subsection an issue year basis of valuation 589 refers to a valuation basis under which the interest rate used to determine the minimum valuation standard for the 590 591 entire duration of the annuity or guaranteed interest 592 contract is the calendar year valuation interest rate for 593 the year of issue or year of purchase of the annuity or 594 guaranteed interest contract, and the change in fund basis 595 of valuation refers to a valuation basis under which the interest rate used to determine the minimum valuation 596 597 standard applicable to each change in the fund held under the annuity or guaranteed interest contract is the calendar 598 599 year valuation interest rate for the year of the change in 600 the fund.

601 (4) The "reference interest rate" referred to in 602 subdivision (2) of this subsection shall be defined as 603 follows:

604 (a) For all life insurance, the lesser of the average
605 over a period of thirty-six months and the average over a
606 period of twelve months, ending on June thirtieth of the
607 calendar year next preceding the year of issue, of the
608 Monthly Average of the Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate
609 Bonds, as published by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.;

610 For single premium immediate annuities and for (b) 611 annuity benefits involving life contingencies arising from 612 other annuities with cash settlement options and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement options, the average 613 over a period of twelve months, ending on June thirtieth of 614 615 the calendar year of issue or purchase, of the Monthly Average of the Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds, 616 617 as published by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.;

618 (c) For other annuities with cash settlement options 619 and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement 620 options, valued on a year of issue basis, except as stated 621 in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, with guarantee duration in excess of ten years, the lesser of the average 622 623 over a period of thirty-six months and the average over a 624 period of twelve months, ending on June thirtieth of the calendar year of issue or purchase, of the Monthly Average 625 626 of the Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds, as published by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.; 627

628 (d) For other annuities with cash settlement options and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement 629 630 options, valued on a year of issue basis, except as stated in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, with guarantee 631 duration of ten years or less, the average over a period of 632 633 twelve months, ending on June thirtieth of the calendar year 634 of issue or purchase, of the Monthly Average of the Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds, as published by 635 636 Moody's Investors Service, Inc.;

637 (e) For other annuities with no cash settlement
638 options and for guaranteed interest contracts with no cash
639 settlement options, the average over a period of twelve
640 months, ending on June thirtieth of the calendar year of
641 issue or purchase, of the Monthly Average of the Composite

642 Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds, as published by Moody's643 Investors Service, Inc.;

For other annuities with cash settlement options 644 (f) and guaranteed interest contracts with cash settlement 645 options, valued on a change in fund basis, except as stated 646 647 in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, the average over a period of twelve months, ending on June thirtieth of the 648 649 calendar year of the change in the fund, of the Monthly 650 Average of the Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds, 651 as published by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

652 In the event that the Monthly Average of the (5)653 Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds is no longer published by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., or in the 654 655 event that the NAIC determines that the Monthly Average of 656 the Composite Yield on Seasoned Corporate Bonds as published 657 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., is no longer appropriate 658 for the determination of the reference interest rate, then an alternative method for determination of the reference 659 interest rate, which is adopted by the NAIC and approved by 660 regulation promulgated by the director, may be substituted. 661

3. For accident and health insurance contracts issued 662 on or after the operative date of the valuation manual, the 663 standard prescribed in the valuation manual is the minimum 664 665 standard of valuation required under subsection 2 of section 376.370. For disability, accident and sickness, and 666 accident and health insurance contracts issued on or after 667 the operative date provided in subsection 20 of section 668 376.670 and prior to the operative date of the valuation 669 manual, the minimum standard of valuation is the standard 670 adopted by the director by regulation. 671

672 4. (1) This subsection shall apply to actuarial673 opinions of reserves prior to the date of the valuation674 manual.

675 Every life insurance company doing business in (2) 676 this state shall annually submit the opinion of a qualified 677 actuary as to whether the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of the policies and contracts 678 679 specified by the director by regulation are computed 680 appropriately, are based on assumptions which satisfy 681 contractual provisions, are consistent with prior reported 682 amounts and comply with applicable laws of this state. The 683 director by regulation shall define the specifics of this opinion and add any other items deemed to be necessary to 684 685 its scope.

686 (3) (a) Every life insurance company, except as 687 exempted by or pursuant to regulation, shall also annually 688 include in the opinion required by subdivision (2) of this subsection, an opinion of the same qualified actuary as to 689 whether the reserves and related actuarial items held in 690 691 support of the policies and contracts specified by the 692 director by regulation, when considered in light of the 693 assets held by the company with respect to the reserves and 694 related actuarial items, including but not limited to the 695 investment earnings on the assets and the considerations 696 anticipated to be received and retained under the policies and contracts, make adequate provision for the company's 697 obligations under the policies and contracts, including but 698 not limited to the benefits under and expenses associated 699 700 with the policies and contracts.

(b) The director may provide by regulation for atransition period for establishing any higher reserves which

703 the qualified actuary may deem necessary in order to render 704 the opinion required by this subsection.

705 (4) Each opinion required by subdivision (3) of this706 subsection shall be governed by the following provisions:

707 (a) A memorandum, in form and substance acceptable to
708 the director as specified by regulation, shall be prepared
709 to support each actuarial opinion; and

710 If the insurance company fails to provide a (b) 711 supporting memorandum at the request of the director within 712 a period specified by regulation or the director determines 713 that the supporting memorandum provided by the insurance 714 company fails to meet the standards prescribed by the regulations or is otherwise unacceptable to the director, 715 716 the director may engage a qualified actuary at the expense 717 of the company to review the opinion and the basis for the opinion and prepare such supporting memorandum as is 718 719 required by the director.

720 (5) Every opinion required by this subsection shall be721 governed by the following provisions:

(a) The opinion shall be submitted with the annual
statement reflecting the valuation of such reserve
liabilities for each year ending on or after December 31,
1993;

(b) The opinion shall apply to all business in force including individual and group health insurance plans, in form and substance acceptable to the director as specified by regulation;

(c) The opinion shall be based on standards adopted from time to time by the Actuarial Standards Board and on such additional standards as the director may by regulation prescribe;

(d) In the case of an opinion required to be submitted
by a foreign or alien company, the director may accept the
opinion filed by that company with the insurance supervisory
official of another state if the director determines that
the opinion reasonably meets the requirements applicable to
a company domiciled in this state;

(e) For the purposes of this section, "qualified
actuary" means a member in good standing of the American
Academy of Actuaries who meets the requirements set forth in
such regulations;

(f) Except in cases of fraud or willful misconduct,
the qualified actuary shall not be liable for damages to any
person, other than the insurance company and the director,
for any act, error, omission, decision or conduct with
respect to the actuary's opinion;

(g) Disciplinary action by the director against the company or the qualified actuary shall be defined in regulations by the director; and

752 (h) Any memorandum in support of the opinion, and any 753 other material provided by the company to the director in 754 connection therewith, shall be kept confidential by the 755 director and shall not be made public and shall not be 756 subject to subpoena, other than for the purpose of defending 757 an action seeking damages from any person by reason of any 758 action required by this section or by regulations 759 promulgated hereunder; except that the memorandum or other 760 material may otherwise be released by the director:

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With the written consent of the company; or

b. To the American Academy of Actuaries upon request
stating that the memorandum or other material is required
for the purpose of professional disciplinary proceedings and
setting forth procedures satisfactory to the director for

766 preserving the confidentiality of the memorandum or other 767 material.

768 Once any portion of the confidential memorandum is cited by 769 the company in its marketing or is cited before any 770 governmental agency other than a state insurance department 771 or is released by the company to the news media, all 772 portions of the confidential memorandum shall be no longer 773 confidential.

5. (1) This subsection shall apply to actuarial
opinions of reserves after the operative date of the
valuation manual.

777 (2) Every company with outstanding life insurance contracts, accident and health insurance contracts, or 778 779 deposit-type contracts in Missouri and subject to regulation 780 by the director shall annually submit the opinion of the 781 appointed actuary as to whether the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of the policies and 782 783 contracts are computed appropriately, are based on 784 assumptions that satisfy contractual provisions, are 785 consistent with prior reported amounts, and comply with 786 applicable Missouri law. The valuation manual shall prescribe the specifics of such opinion, including any items 787 788 deemed to be necessary to its scope.

789 (3) Every company with outstanding life insurance 790 contracts, accident and health insurance contracts, or 791 deposit-type contracts in Missouri and subject to regulation 792 by the director, except as exempted in the valuation manual, 793 shall also annually include in the opinion required under 794 subdivision (2) of this subsection an opinion of the same 795 appointed actuary as to whether the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of the policies and 796

797 contracts specified in the valuation manual, when considered 798 in light of the assets held by the company with respect to 799 the reserves and related actuarial items including, but not 800 limited to, the investment earnings on the assets and the 801 considerations anticipated to be received and retained under 802 the policies and contracts, make adequate provision for the company's obligations under the policies and contracts 803 804 including, but not limited to, benefits under and expenses 805 associated with the policies and contracts.

806 (4) Each opinion required by subdivision (3) of this807 subsection shall be governed by the following provisions:

808 (a) A memorandum, in form and substance as specified
809 in the valuation manual and acceptable to the director,
810 shall be prepared to support each actuarial opinion; and

811 If the insurance company fails to provide a (b) 812 supporting memorandum at the request of the director within 813 a period specified in the valuation manual or the director determines that the supporting memorandum provided by the 814 815 insurance company fails to meet the standards prescribed by the valuation manual or is otherwise unacceptable to the 816 817 director, the director may engage a qualified actuary at the expense of the company to review the opinion and the basis 818 819 for the opinion and prepare the supporting memorandum 820 required by the director.

821 (5) Every opinion required by this subsection shall be822 governed by the following:

823 (a) The opinion shall be in form and substance as
824 specified in the valuation manual and acceptable to the
825 director;

826 (b) The opinion shall be submitted with the annual827 statement reflecting the valuation of such reserve

828 liabilities for each year ending on or after the operative 829 date of the valuation manual;

(c) The opinion shall apply to all policies and
contracts subject to subdivision (3) of this subsection,
plus other actuarial liabilities as may be specified in the
valuation manual;

(d) The opinion shall be based on standards adopted
from time to time by the Actuarial Standards Board or its
successor, and on such additional standards as may be
prescribed in the valuation manual;

(e) In the case of an opinion required to be submitted
by a foreign or alien company, the director may accept the
opinion filed by such company with the insurance supervisory
official of another state if the director determines that
the opinion reasonably meets the requirements applicable to
a company domiciled in Missouri;

844 (f) Except in cases of fraud or willful misconduct,
845 the appointed actuary shall not be liable for damages to any
846 person, other than the insurance company and the director,
847 for any act, error, omission, decision, or conduct with
848 respect to the appointed actuary's opinion; and

(g) Disciplinary action by the director against the
company or the appointed actuary shall be defined in
regulations by the director.

6. (1) For policies issued on or after the operative
date of the valuation manual, the standard prescribed in the
valuation manual is the minimum standard of valuation
required under subsection 2 of section 376.370, except as
provided under subdivision (5) or (7) of this subsection.

857 (2) The operative date of the valuation manual is
858 January first of the first calendar year following the first
859 July first as of which all of the following have occurred:

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The valuation manual has been adopted by the NAIC (a) 861 by an affirmative vote of at least forty-two members or 862 three-fourths of the members voting, whichever is greater;

The standard valuation law as amended by the NAIC 863 (b) 864 in 2009 or legislation including substantially similar terms 865 and provisions has been enacted by states representing greater than seventy-five percent of the direct premiums 866 867 written as reported in the following annual statements submitted for 2008: life, accident, and health annual 868 869 statements; health annual statements; or fraternal annual 870 statements;

(c) The standard valuation law as amended by the NAIC 871 in 2009 or legislation including substantially similar terms 872 873 and provisions has been enacted by at least forty-two of the 874 following fifty-five jurisdictions: the fifty states of the United States, American Samoa, the American Virgin Islands, 875 876 the District of Columbia, Guam, and Puerto Rico; and

The valuation manual becomes effective under an 877 (d) order of the director. 878

Unless a change in the valuation manual specifies 879 (3) a later effective date, changes to the valuation manual 880 881 shall be effective on January first following the date when all of the following have occurred: 882

883 (a) The change to the valuation manual has been 884 adopted by the NAIC by an affirmative vote representing:

a. At least three-fourths of the members of the NAIC 885 voting, but not less than a majority of the total 886 membership; and 887

b. Members of the NAIC representing jurisdictions 888 889 totaling greater than seventy-five percent of the direct 890 premiums written as reported in the following annual statements most recently available prior to the vote in 891

892 subparagraph a. of this paragraph: life, accident, and 893 health annual statements; health annual statements; or 894 fraternal annual statements;

(b) The valuation manual becomes effective under anorder of the director.

897 (4) The valuation manual shall specify all of the898 following:

(a) Minimum valuation standards for and definitions of
the policies or contracts subject to subsection 2 of section
376.370. Such minimum standards shall be:

a. The commissioners reserve valuation method for life
insurance contracts, other than annuity contracts, subject
to subsection 2 of section 376.370;

905 b. The commissioners annuity reserve valuation method
906 for annuity contracts subject to subsection 2 of section
907 376.370; and

908 c. Minimum reserves for all other policies and 909 contracts subject to subsection 2 of section 376.370;

910 (b) Which policies or contracts or types of policies 911 or contracts are subject to the requirements of a principle-912 based valuation under subdivision (1) of subsection 7 of 913 this section and the minimum valuation standards consistent 914 with such requirements;

915 (c) For policies and contracts subject to principle-916 based valuation under subsection 7 of this section:

917 a. Requirements for the format of reports to the 918 director under paragraph (c) of subdivision (2) of 919 subsection 7 of this section and which shall include 920 information necessary to determine if the valuation is 921 appropriate and in compliance with sections 376.365 to 922 376.380;

b. Assumptions which shall be prescribed for risks
over which the company does not have significant control or
influence;

926 c. Procedures for corporate governance and oversight
927 of the actuarial function, and a process for appropriate
928 waiver or modification of such procedures;

929 (d) For policies not subject to a principle-based
930 valuation under subsection 7 of this section, the minimum
931 valuation standard shall either:

932 a. Be consistent with the minimum standard of933 valuation prior to the operative date of the valuation934 manual; or

b. Develop reserves that quantify the benefits and
guarantees, and the funding, associated with the contracts
and their risks at a level of conservatism that reflects
conditions that include unfavorable events that have a
reasonable probability of occurring;

940 (e) Other requirements including, but not limited to,
941 those relating to reserve methods, models for measuring
942 risk, generation of economic scenarios, assumptions,
943 margins, use of company experience, risk measurement,
944 disclosure, certifications, reports, actuarial opinions and
945 memorandums, transition rules, and internal controls; and

946 (f) The data and form of the data required under 947 subsection 8 of this section, to whom the data shall be 948 submitted, and may specify other requirements, including 949 data analyses and reporting of analyses.

950 (5) In the absence of a specific valuation requirement
951 or if a specific valuation requirement in the valuation
952 manual is not, in the opinion of the director, in compliance
953 with sections 376.365 to 376.380, the company shall, with

954 respect to such requirements, comply with minimum valuation 955 standards prescribed by the director by regulation.

956 (6) The director may engage a qualified actuary, at the expense of the company, to perform an actuarial 957 958 examination of the company and opine on the appropriateness 959 of any reserve assumption or method used by the company, or to review and opine on a company's compliance with any 960 961 requirement set forth in sections 376.365 to 376.380. The 962 director may rely upon the opinion regarding provisions 963 contained in sections 376.365 to 376.380 of a qualified 964 actuary engaged by the director of another state, district, 965 or territory of the United States. As used in this 966 subdivision, engage includes employment and contracting.

967 (7) The director may require a company to change any 968 assumption or method that in the opinion of the director is 969 necessary in order to comply with the requirements of the 970 valuation manual or sections 376.365 to 376.380, and the 971 company shall adjust the reserves as required by the 972 director. The director may take other disciplinary action 973 as permitted under chapter 354 and chapters 374 to 385.

974 7. (1) A company shall establish reserves using a 975 principle-based valuation that meets the following 976 conditions for policies or contracts as specified in the 977 valuation manual:

978 (a) Quantify the benefits and guarantees, and the 979 funding, associated with the contracts and their risks at a level of conservatism that reflects conditions that include 980 unfavorable events that have a reasonable probability of 981 occurring during the lifetime of the contracts. For 982 983 policies or contracts with significant tail risk, the 984 company's valuation shall reflect conditions appropriately adverse to quantify the tail risk; 985

(b) Incorporate assumptions, risk analysis methods, and financial models and management techniques that are consistent with, but not necessarily identical to, those utilized within the company's overall risk assessment process, while recognizing potential differences in financial reporting structures and any prescribed assumptions or methods;

993 (c) Incorporate assumptions that are derived in one of 994 the following manners:

995 a. The assumption is prescribed in the valuation 996 manual; or

997 b. For assumptions that are not prescribed, the 998 assumption shall:

999 (i) Be established utilizing the company's available 1000 experience to the extent it is relevant and statistically 1001 credible; or

1002 (ii) To the extent that company data is not available,
1003 relevant, or statistically credible, be established
1004 utilizing other relevant statistically credible experience;

(d) Provide margins for uncertainty, including adverse
deviation and estimation error, such that the greater the
uncertainty the larger the margin and resulting reserve.

1008 (2) A company using a principle-based valuation for
1009 one or more policies or contracts subject to this section as
1010 specified in the valuation manual shall:

1011 (a) Establish procedures for corporate governance and
1012 oversight of the actuarial valuation function consistent
1013 with those described in the valuation manual;

1014 (b) Provide to the director an annual certification of
1015 the effectiveness of the internal controls with respect to
1016 the principle-based valuation. Such controls shall be
1017 designed to ensure that all material risks inherent in the

1018 liabilities and associated assets subject to such valuation 1019 are included in the valuation and that valuations are made 1020 in accordance with the valuation manual. The certification 1021 shall be based on the controls in place as of the end of the 1022 preceding calendar year;

1023 (c) Develop, and file with the director upon request,
1024 a principle-based valuation report that complies with
1025 standards prescribed in the valuation manual.

1026 (3) A principle-based valuation may include a1027 prescribed formulaic reserve component.

1028 8. For policies in force on or after the operative
1029 date of the valuation manual, a company shall submit
1030 mortality, morbidity, policyholder behavior, or expense
1031 experience and other data as prescribed in the valuation
1032 manual.

1033 9. (1) For purposes of this subsection, "confidential 1034 information" means:

(a) A memorandum in support of an opinion submitted
under subsection 4 or 5 of this section and any other
documents, materials, and other information including, but
not limited to, all working papers and copies thereof
created, produced, or obtained by or disclosed to the
director or any other person in connection with such
memorandum;

(b) All documents, materials, and other information 1042 including, but not limited to, all working papers and copies 1043 thereof created, produced, or obtained by or disclosed to 1044 the director or any other person in the course of an 1045 examination made under subdivision (6) of subsection 6 of 1046 1047 this section; provided, however, that if an examination report or other material prepared in connection with an 1048 examination made under section 374.205 is not held as 1049

1050 private and confidential information under section 374.205, 1051 an examination report or other material prepared in 1052 connection with an examination made under subdivision (6) of 1053 subsection 6 of this section shall not be confidential 1054 information to the same extent as if such examination report 1055 or other material had been prepared under section 374.205;

Any reports, documents, materials, and other 1056 (C) 1057 information developed by a company in support of or in connection with an annual certification by the company under 1058 1059 paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of subsection 7 of this 1060 section evaluating the effectiveness of the company's internal controls with respect to a principle-based 1061 valuation and any other documents, materials, and other 1062 1063 information including, but not limited to, all working 1064 papers and copies thereof created, produced, or obtained by 1065 or disclosed to the director or any other person in 1066 connection with such reports, documents, material, and other information: 1067

(d) Any principle-based valuation report developed under paragraph (c) of subdivision (2) of subsection 7 of this section and any other documents, materials, and other information including, but not limited to, all working papers and copies thereof created, produced, or obtained by or disclosed to the director or any other person in connection with such report; and

(e) Any documents, materials, data, and other
information submitted by a company under subsection 8 of
this section (collectively, "experience data") and any
other documents, materials, data, and other information
including, but not limited to, all working papers and copies
thereof created or produced in connection with such
experience data, in each case that include any potentially

1082 company-identifying or personally identifiable information, 1083 that is provided to or obtained by the director (together with any "experience data", the "experience materials") and 1084 1085 any other documents, materials, data, and other information 1086 including, but not limited to, all working papers and copies 1087 thereof created, produced, or obtained by or disclosed to the director or any other person in connection with such 1088 1089 experience materials.

1090 Except as provided in this subsection, a (2) (a) 1091 company's confidential information is confidential by law 1092 and privileged, and shall not be subject to chapter 610, 1093 shall not be subject to subpoena, and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil 1094 1095 action; provided, however, that the director is authorized 1096 to use the confidential information in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought against the company 1097 1098 as a part of the director's official duties.

(b) Neither the director nor any person who received confidential information while acting under the authority of the director shall be permitted or required to testify in any private civil action concerning any confidential information.

(c) In order to assist in the performance of the director's duties, the director may share confidential information with:

1107 a. Other state, federal, and international regulatory 1108 agencies and with the NAIC and its affiliates and 1109 subsidiaries; and

b. In the case of confidential information specified
in paragraphs (a) and (d) of subdivision (1) of this
subsection only, the Actuarial Board for Counseling and
Discipline or its successor upon request stating that the

1114 confidential information is required for the purpose of 1115 professional disciplinary proceedings and with state, 1116 federal, and international law enforcement officials.

(d) The sharing of confidential information detailed in paragraph (c) of this subdivision shall be contingent on such recipient agreeing and having the legal authority to agree to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of such documents, materials, data, and other information in the same manner and to the same extent as required for the director.

1124 The director may receive documents, materials, (e) data, and other information, including otherwise 1125 1126 confidential and privileged documents, materials, data, or 1127 information, from the NAIC and its affiliates and 1128 subsidiaries, from regulatory or law enforcement officials 1129 of other foreign or domestic jurisdictions, and from the 1130 Actuarial Board for Counseling and Discipline or its successor and shall maintain as confidential or privileged 1131 1132 any document, material, data, or other information received with notice or the understanding that it is confidential or 1133 privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the 1134 source of the document, material, or other information. 1135

(f) The director may enter into agreements governing sharing and use of information consistent with this subdivision.

(g) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of confidentiality in the confidential information shall occur as a result of disclosure to the director under this section or as a result of sharing as authorized in paragraph (c) of this subdivision.

(h) A privilege established under the law of any stateor jurisdiction that is substantially similar to the

1146 privilege established under this subdivision shall be 1147 available and enforced in any proceeding in, and in any 1148 court of, Missouri.

(i) In this subsection, regulatory agency, law enforcement agency, and the NAIC include, but are not limited to, their employees, agents, consultants and contractors.

(3) Notwithstanding subdivision (2) of this
subsection, any confidential information specified in
paragraphs (a) and (d) of subdivision (1) of this subsection:

1156 May be subject to subpoena for the purpose of (a) defending an action seeking damages from the appointed 1157 1158 actuary submitting the related memorandum in support of an opinion submitted under subsection 4 or 5 of this section or 1159 1160 principle-based valuation report developed under paragraph (c) of subdivision (2) of subsection 7 of this section by 1161 1162 reason of an action required by sections 376.365 to 376.380 or by regulations promulgated hereunder; 1163

(b) May otherwise be released by the director with the written consent of the company; and

(c) Once any portion of a memorandum in support of an 1166 opinion submitted under subsection 4 or 5 of this section or 1167 a principle-based valuation report developed under paragraph 1168 1169 (c) of subdivision (2) of subsection 7 of this section is 1170 cited by the company in its marketing, or is publicly volunteered to or before a governmental agency other than a 1171 state insurance department, or is released by the company to 1172 the news media, all portions of such memorandum or report 1173 shall no longer be confidential. 1174

1175 10. The director may exempt specific product forms or 1176 product lines of a domestic company that is licensed and

1177 doing business only in Missouri from the requirements of 1178 subsection 6 of this section provided:

1179 (1) The director has issued an exemption in writing to1180 the company and has not subsequently revoked the exemption1181 in writing; and

(2) The company computes reserves using assumptions and methods used prior to the operative date of the valuation manual in addition to any requirements established by the director and promulgated by regulation.

1186 For any company granted an exemption under this section, 1187 subsection 3 of section 376.370 and subsections 1 to 5 of 1188 this section shall be applicable. With respect to any 1189 company applying this exemption, any reference to subsection 1190 6 of this section found in subsection 3 of section 376.370 1191 and subsections 1 to 5 of this section shall not be 1192 applicable.

1193 [11. (1) A company that has less than three hundred million dollars of ordinary life premium and that is 1194 1195 licensed and doing business in Missouri and that is subject to the requirements of subsections 6 and 7 of this section 1196 1197 may hold reserves based on the mortality tables and interest 1198 rates defined by the valuation manual for net premium 1199 reserves and using the methodology defined in the provisions 1200 of paragraphs (b) through (i) of subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of this section and subsection 3 of section 1201 1202 376.370 as they apply to ordinary life insurance in lieu of 1203 the reserves required by subsections 6 and 7 of this 1204 section, provided that:

(a) If the company is a member of a group of life
insurers, the group has combined ordinary life premiums of
less than six hundred million dollars;

(b) The company reported total adjusted capital of at
least four hundred fifty percent of authorized control level
risk-based capital in the risk-based capital report for the
prior calendar year;

(c) The appointed actuary has provided an unqualified
opinion on the reserves in accordance with subsections 4 and
5 of this section for the prior calendar year;

1215 (d) The company has provided a certification by a 1216 qualified actuary that any universal life policy with a 1217 secondary guarantee issued after the operative date of the 1218 valuation manual meets the definition of a nonmaterial 1219 secondary guarantee universal life product as defined in the 1220 valuation manual.

(2) For purposes of subdivision (1) of this
subsection, ordinary life premiums are measured as direct
premium plus reinsurance assumed from an unaffiliated
company, as reported in the prior calendar year annual
statement.

1226 (3) A domestic company meeting all of the above 1227 conditions may file a statement prior to July first with the director certifying that these conditions are met for the 1228 current calendar year based on premiums and other values 1229 from the prior calendar year financial statements. 1230 The 1231 director may reject such statement prior to September first and require a company to comply with the valuation manual 1232 1233 requirements for life insurance reserves.]

379.011. 1. As used in this section, the following
2 terms mean:

3 (1) "Delivered by electronic means", includes delivery
4 to an electronic mail address at which a party has consented
5 to receive notices or documents, or posting on an electronic
6 network or site accessible via the internet, mobile

7 application, computer, mobile device, tablet, or any other 8 electronic device, together with a separate notice to a 9 party directed to the electronic mail address at which the 10 party has consented to receive notice of the posting;

(2) "Party", any recipient of any notice or document
required as part of an insurance transaction, including but
not limited to an applicant, an insured or a policyholder.

14 2. Subject to subsection 3 of this section, any notice to a party or any other document required under applicable 15 16 law in an insurance transaction or that is to serve as evidence of insurance coverage may be delivered, stored, and 17 presented by electronic means so long as it meets the 18 requirements of sections 432.200 to 432.295. Delivery of a 19 notice or document in accordance with this subsection shall 20 be considered equivalent to any delivery method required 21 22 under applicable law, including delivery by first class 23 mail, first class mail postage prepaid, certified mail, or certificate of mailing. 24

3. A notice or document may be delivered by electronic
means by an insurer to a party under this [subsection]
section if:

(1) The party has affirmatively consented to thatmethod of delivery and has not withdrawn the consent;

30 (2) The party, before giving consent, is provided with31 a clear and conspicuous statement informing the party of:

32 (a) Any right or option to have the notice or document
33 provided in paper or another nonelectronic form at no
34 additional cost;

35 (b) The right of the party to withdraw consent to have
36 a notice or document delivered by electronic means;

37 (c) Whether the party's consent applies only to the38 particular transaction as to which the notice or document

39 must be given or to identified categories of notices or 40 documents that may be delivered by electronic means during 41 the course of the parties' relationship;

42 (d) The means, after consent is given, by which a
43 party may obtain a paper copy of a notice or document
44 delivered by electronic means at no additional cost; and

45 (e) The procedure a party must follow to withdraw
46 consent to have a notice or document delivered by electronic
47 means and to update information needed to contact the party
48 electronically;

The party, before giving consent, is provided with 49 (3) a statement of the hardware and software requirements for 50 access to and retention of a notice or document delivered by 51 electronic means and consents electronically, and confirms 52 consent electronically, in a manner that reasonably 53 54 demonstrates that the party can access information in the electronic form that will be used for notices or documents 55 56 delivered by electronic means as to which the party has 57 given consent; and

(4) After consent of the party is given, the insurer,
in the event a change in the hardware or software
requirements needed to access or retain a notice or document
delivered in electronic means creates a material risk that
the party will not be able to access or retain a subsequent
notice or document to which the consent applies:

64 (a) Provides the party with a statement of the revised
65 hardware and software requirements for access to and
66 retention of a notice or document delivered by electronic
67 means and of the right of the party to withdraw consent
68 pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this
69 subsection; and

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(b) Complies with subdivision (2) of this subsection.

71 4. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, if a policy of insurance is purchased directly 72 through an insurer's website, portal, or application, and is 73 initially delivered by electronic means, a party's consent 74 to have all future notices and documents related to the 75 76 policy, or claims thereunder, delivered by electronic means shall be presumed. Nothing in this subsection shall affect 77 78 the right of a party under this section to withdraw its 79 consent to have a notice or document delivered by electronic 80 means.

5. This section does not affect requirements relating 81 to content or timing of any notice or document required 82 83 under applicable law. If any provision of applicable law requiring a notice or document to be provided to a party 84 expressly requires verification or acknowledgment of receipt 85 of the notice or document, the notice or document may be 86 87 delivered by electronic means only if the method used provides for verification or acknowledgment of receipt. 88 89 Absent verification or acknowledgment of receipt of the initial notice or document on the part of the party, the 90 insurer shall send two subsequent notices or documents at 91 intervals of five business days. The legal effectiveness, 92 validity, or enforceability of any contract or policy of 93 94 insurance executed by a party may not be made contingent upon obtaining electronic consent or confirmation of consent 95 of the party in accordance with subdivision (3) of 96 subsection 3 of this section. 97

98 [5.] 6. A withdrawal of consent by a party does not
99 affect the legal effectiveness, validity, or enforceability
100 of a notice or document delivered by electronic means to the
101 party before the withdrawal of consent is effective. A
102 withdrawal of consent by a party is effective within thirty

103 days after receipt of the withdrawal by the insurer. 104 Failure by an insurer to comply with subdivision (4) of 105 subsection 3 of this section may be treated, at the election 106 of the party, as a withdrawal of consent for purposes of 107 this section.

108 [6.] 7. This section does not apply to a notice or document delivered by an insurer in an electronic form 109 110 before August 28, 2013, to a party who, before that date, has consented to receive notices or documents in an 111 112 electronic form otherwise allowed by law. If the consent of a party to receive certain notices or documents in an 113 electronic form is on file with an insurer before August 28, 114 2013, and pursuant to this section, an insurer intends to 115 deliver additional notices or documents to such party in an 116 electronic form, then prior to delivering such additional 117 118 notices or documents electronically, the insurer shall 119 notify the party of:

(1) The notices or documents that may be delivered by
electronic means under this section that were not previously
delivered electronically; and

123 (2) The party's right to withdraw consent to have124 notices or documents delivered by electronic means.

125 [7.] 8. A party who does not consent to delivery of 126 notices or documents under subsection 3 of this section, or 127 who withdraws their consent, shall not be subject to any 128 additional fees or costs for having notices or documents 129 provided or made available to them in paper or another 130 nonelectronic form.

[8.] 9. If any provision of applicable law requires a
signature or notice or document to be notarized,
acknowledged, verified, or made under oath, the requirement
is satisfied if the electronic signature of the person

135 authorized to perform those acts, together with all other 136 information required to be included by the provision, is 137 attached to or logically associated with the signature, 138 notice, or document.

[9.] 10. This section may not be construed to modify,
limit, or supercede the provisions of sections 354.442,
376.1450, or 432.200 to 432.295. The provisions of this
section shall apply to notices and documents issued by
insurers organized under this chapter or chapter 380 and to
notices and documents relating to life insurance products
issued by insurers organized under chapter 376.

146 [10.] 11. Nothing in this section shall prevent an 147 insurer from offering a discount to an insured who elects to 148 receive notices and documents electronically in accordance 149 with this section.

Section B. The repeal and reenactment of section 2 288.132 and the enactment of section 288.133 shall become 3 effective January 1, 2023.

Section C. The repeal and reenactment of sections 2 303.025 and 303.041 shall take effect on January 1, 2024.

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