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2	BILL NO. 1060 By: McEntire of the House
3	and
4	Quinn of the Senate
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7	An Act relating to insurance; amending 36 O.S. 2011, Sections 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028,
8	2030, 2032, 2036, 2038 and 2043, which relate to the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty
9	Association Act; providing for broader applicability; defining terms; providing coverages and liabilities;
10	modifying board of directors membership; providing procedural rules and amendments; modifying for
11	impaired or insolvent insurers; providing for assessments of member insurers; modifying powers and
12	duties of the Insurance Commissioner; modifying
13	applicability of procedures for detection and prevention of insolvencies; modifying assets of
14	<pre>impaired or insolvent insurers; modifying ownership rights; providing for the recovery of distributions;</pre>
15	modifying prohibitions on advertising; amending 36 O.S. 2011, Section 6913, as amended by Section 19,
16	Chapter 275, O.S.L. 2014 (36 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 6913), which relates to deposit with Insurance
17	Commissioner; modifying deposit use; repealing 36 O.S. 2011, Sections 6914, 6921 and 6932, which relate
18	to health maintenance organization insolvency; and providing an effective date.
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
22	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2022, is
23	amended to read as follows:
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1 Section 2022. A. The purpose of this act the Oklahoma Life and 2 Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act is to protect, subject to 3 certain limitations, the persons specified in subsection A of 4 Section 2025 of the Insurance Code this title, against failure in 5 the performance of contractual obligations, under life and, health insurance policies, and annuity policies, plans or contracts 6 7 specified in subsection B of Section 2025 of the Insurance Code this title, because of the impairment or insolvency of the member insurer 8 9 that issued the policies, plans or contracts.

B. To provide this protection, an association of <u>member</u> insurers has been created and exists to pay benefits and to continue coverages as limited in this act, and members of the Association are subject to assessment to provide funds to carry out the purposes of this act.

15 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2023, is
16 amended to read as follows:

Section 2023. A. There is created a nonprofit legal entity to be known as the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association. All member insurers shall be and remain members of the Association as a condition of their authority to transact insurance as a health maintenance organization business in this state.

B. The Association shall perform its functions under a plan of operation established and approved in accordance with this act and shall exercise its powers through the Board of Directors established

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1	in this act. For purposes of administration and assessment, the
2	Association shall maintain three (3) accounts:
3	1. The health insurance account;
4	2. The life insurance account; and
5	3. The annuity account.
6	C. The Association shall come under the immediate supervision
7	of the <u>Insurance</u> Commissioner and shall be subject to the applicable
8	provisions of the insurance laws of this state.
9	SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2024, is
10	amended to read as follows:
11	Section 2024. As used in Sections 2021 through 2043 of this
12	title the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association
13	<u>Act</u> :
14	1. "Account" means <del>either</del> <u>one</u> of the <del>two</del> <u>three</u> accounts created
15	under Section 2023 of this title;
16	2. "Association" means the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance
17	Guaranty Association created in Section 2023 of this title;
18	3. "Commissioner" means the Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner;
19	4. "Contractual obligation" means an obligation under a policy
20	or contract or certificate under a group policy or contract, or
20 21	or contract or certificate under a group policy or contract, or portion thereof for which coverage is provided under Section 2025 of
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1 5. "Covered contract" or "covered policy" means a policy or 2 contract or portion of a policy or contract for which coverage is provided under Section 2025 of this title; 3 "Extra-contractual claims" includes, but is not limited to, 4 6. 5 claims relating to bad faith in the payment of claims, punitive or exemplary damages or attorneys fees and costs; 6 7 7. "Health benefit plan" means any hospital or medical expense policy or certificate or health maintenance organization subscriber 8 9 contract or any other similar health contract. Health benefit plan 10 does not include: 11 accident-only insurance, a. 12 b. credit insurance, 13 dental-only insurance, с. 14 vision-only insurance, d. 15 Medicare supplemental insurance, e. 16 f. benefits for long-term care, home health care, 17 community-based care, or any combination thereof, 18 disability income insurance, g. 19 coverage for on-site medical clinics, or h. 20 specified disease, hospital confinement indemnity or i. 21 limited health insurance if the types of coverage do 22 not provide coordination of benefits and are provided 23 under separate policies or certificates; 24

1 <u>8.</u> "Impaired insurer" means a member insurer which, after the 2 effective date of this act, is not an insolvent insurer and is 3 placed under an order of rehabilitation or conservation by a court 4 of competent jurisdiction;

5 <u>8.9.</u> "Insolvent insurer" means a member insurer which, after 6 the effective date of this act, is placed under an order of 7 liquidation by a court of competent jurisdiction with a finding of 8 insolvency;

9 9. 10. "Member insurer" means any nonprofit hospital service 10 and medical indemnity corporation and any insurer or health 11 maintenance organization licensed or that holds a certificate of 12 authority to transact in this state any kind of insurance or health 13 maintenance organization business for which coverage is provided 14 under Section 2025 of this title, and includes any insurer or health 15 maintenance organization whose license or certificate of authority 16 in this state may have been suspended, revoked, not renewed or 17 voluntarily withdrawn, but does not include:

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a. a health maintenance organization,

- 19 b. <u>a.</u> a fraternal benefit society,
- 20 c. b. a mandatory state-pooling plan,
- 21 d. c. a mutual assessment company or other person that
   22 operates on an assessment basis,

23 e. d. an insurance exchange,

1 f. e. an organization that has a certificate or license 2 limited to the issuance of charitable gift annuities 3 under Sections 4071 through 4082 of this title, or 4 any entity similar to any of the above; <del>q.</del> f. 5 <del>10.</del> 11. "Moody's Corporate Bond Yield Average" means the Monthly Average Corporates as published by Moody's Investors 6 7 Service, Inc., or any successor thereto;

11. 12. "Owner", "policyholder", "policy owner" or "contract 8 9 owner" means the person who is identified as the legal owner of a 10 policy or contract under the terms of the policy or contract or who is otherwise vested with legal title to the policy or contract 11 12 through a valid assignment completed in accordance with the terms of 13 the policy or contract and properly recorded as the owner on the 14 books of the member insurer. Owner, policyholder, policy owner or 15 contract owner does not include persons with a mere beneficial 16 interest in a policy or contract;

17 <u>12. 13.</u> "Person" means an individual, corporation, limited 18 liability company, partnership, association, governmental body or 19 entity, or voluntary organization;

20 <u>13. 14.</u> "Premiums" means amounts or considerations by whatever 21 name called, received on covered policies or contracts less returned 22 premiums, considerations and deposits and less dividends and 23 experience credits. "Premiums" does not include amounts or 24 considerations received for policies or contracts or for the

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portions of any policies or contracts for which coverage is not 1 provided under subsection B of Section 2025 of this title except 2 3 that assessable premium shall not be reduced on account of 4 subparagraph (c) c of paragraph 2 of subsection B of Section 2025 of 5 this title relating to interest limitations and paragraph 2 of subsection C of Section 2025 of this title relating to limitations 6 7 with respect to one individual, one participant and one policy or contract owner. Premiums does not include: 8

9 a. premiums on an unallocated annuity contract, or 10 b. premiums in excess of Five Million Dollars 11 (\$5,000,000.00) on multiple non-group policies of life 12 insurance owned by one owner, whether the policy or 13 contract owner is an individual, firm, corporation, or 14 other person, and whether the persons insured are 15 officers, managers, employees or other persons, 16 regardless of the number of policies or contracts held 17 by the owner;

18 14. <u>15.</u> "Principal place of business" of a person other than a 19 natural person means the single state in which the natural persons 20 who establish policy for the direction, control and coordination of 21 the operations of the entity as a whole primarily exercise that 22 function, determined by the Association in its reasonable judgment 23 by considering the following factors:

the state in which the primary executive and 1 a. 2 administrative headquarters of the entity are located, the state in which the principal office of the chief 3 b. 4 executive officer of the entity is located, 5 с. the state in which the board of directors or similar governing person or persons of the entity conducts the 6 7 majority of its meetings, d. the state in which the executive or management 8 9 committee of the board of directors or similar 10 governing person or persons of the entity conducts the 11 majority of its meetings, 12 the state from which the management of the overall e. 13 operations of the entity is directed, and 14 f. in the case of a benefit plan sponsored by affiliated 15 companies comprising a consolidated corporation, the 16 state in which the holding company or controlling 17 affiliate has its principal place of business as 18 determined using the factors listed in subparagraphs a 19 through e of this paragraph; 20 15. 16. "Receivership court" means the court in the insolvent 21 or impaired state of the insurer having jurisdiction over the

conservation, rehabilitation or liquidation of the member insurer; 23 16. 17. "Resident" means a person to whom a contractual 24 obligation is owed and who resides in this state on the date of

1 entry of a court order that determines a member insurer to be an 2 impaired insurer or a court order that determines a member insurer 3 to be an insolvent insurer. A person may be a resident of only one state, which in the case of a person other than a natural person 4 5 shall be its principal place of business. Citizens of the United States that are either residents of foreign countries or residents 6 of the United States possessions, territories or protectorates that 7 do not have an association similar to the Association created by the 8 9 Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act, shall be deemed residents of the state of domicile of the insurer that 10 11 issued the policy or contract;

12 <u>17.</u> <u>18.</u> "State" means a state of the United States, the 13 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or a United States possession, 14 territory or protectorate;

15 <u>18. 19.</u> "Structured settlement annuity" means an annuity 16 purchased in order to fund periodic payments for a plaintiff or 17 other claimant in payment for or with respect to personal injury 18 suffered by a plaintiff or other claimant;

19 <u>19.</u> <u>20.</u> "Supplemental contract" means a written agreement 20 entered into for the distribution of proceeds under a life, health 21 or annuity policy or contract; and

22 <u>20. 21.</u> "Unallocated annuity contract" means an annuity 23 contract or group annuity certificate which is not issued to and 24 owned by an individual, except to the extent of any annuity benefits

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1 guaranteed to an individual by an insurer under the contract or 2 certificate.

3 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2025, is 4 amended to read as follows:

Section 2025. A. For the policies and contracts specified in
subsection B of this section, the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance
Guaranty Association Act shall provide coverage:

- 1. To persons, who regardless of where they reside, 8 a. 9 except for nonresident certificate holders under group 10 policies or contracts, are the beneficiaries, 11 assignees or payees, including health care providers 12 rendering services covered under health insurance 13 policies or certificates, of the persons covered under 14 subparagraph b of this paragraph,
- 15b. To persons who are owners of or certificate holders or16enrollees under the policies or contracts, other than17structured settlement annuities, and in each case who:
  - (1) are residents, or
- 19 (2) are not residents, but only under all of the20 following conditions:
  - (a) the <u>member</u> insurer that issued the policies or contracts are domiciled in this state,
  - (b) the states in which the persons reside have associations similar to the Oklahoma Life

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1 and Health Insurance Guaranty Association 2 created by this act, and the persons are not 3 eligible for coverage by an association in 4 any other state due to the fact that the 5 insurer or health maintenance organization was not licensed in the state at the time 6 7 specified in the quaranty association law of the state; 8

9 2. Subparagraphs a and b of paragraph 1 of this subsection
10 shall not apply to structured settlement annuities specified in
11 subsection B of this section and in the Oklahoma Life and Health
12 Insurance Guaranty Association Act shall, except as provided in
13 paragraphs 3 and 4 of this subsection, provide coverage to a person
14 who is a payee under a structured settlement annuity or a
15 beneficiary of a payee if the payee is deceased, if the payee:

- a. is a resident, regardless of where the contract owner
   resides, or
- 18 b. is not a resident, but only under both of the19 following conditions:

20 (1) (a) the contract owner of the structured
21 settlement annuity is a resident, or
22 (b) the contract owner of the structured
23 settlement annuity is not a resident but:

1	i. the insurer that issued the structured
2	settlement annuity is domiciled in this
3	state, and
4	ii. the state in which the contract owner
5	resides has an association similar to
6	the association created by the Oklahoma
7	Life and Health Insurance Guaranty
8	Association Act, and
9	(2) neither the payee nor beneficiary nor the
10	contract owner is eligible for coverage by the
11	association of the state in which the payee or
12	contract owner resides;
13	3. The Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association
14	Act shall not provide coverage to a person who is a payee or
15	beneficiary of a contract owner resident of this state, if the payee
16	or beneficiary is afforded coverage by the association of another
17	state; and
18	4. The Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association
19	Act is intended to provide coverage to a person who is a resident of
20	this state and in special circumstances, to a nonresident. In order
21	to avoid duplicate coverage, if a person who would otherwise receive
22	coverage under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty

Association Act is provided coverage under the laws of any other state, the person shall not be provided coverage under the Oklahoma

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Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. In determining the application of the provisions of this paragraph to situations where a person could be covered by the association of more than one state, whether as an owner, payee, <u>enrollee</u>, beneficiary or assignee, the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Association Act shall be construed in conjunction with the laws of other states to result in coverage by only one association.

в. 1. The Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 8 9 Association Act shall provide coverage to the persons specified in 10 subsection A of this section for policies or contracts of direct, 11 non-group life insurance, health, annuity insurance, which for the 12 purposes of this act includes health maintenance organization 13 subscriber contracts and certificates, or annuities and supplemental 14 policies or contracts to any of these, and for certificates under 15 direct group policies and contracts, except as limited by the 16 Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. 17 Annuity contracts and certificates under group annuity contracts 18 include allocated funding agreements, structured settlement 19 annuities and any immediate or deferred annuity contracts. 20 2. This act Except as provided in paragraph 3 of this 21 subsection, the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 22 Association Act shall not provide coverage for: 23

- a. a portion of a policy or contract not guaranteed by
   the insurer, or under which the risk is borne by the
   policy or contract owner,
- b. a policy or contract of reinsurance, unless assumption
  certificates have been issued pursuant to the
  reinsurance policy or contract,
- c. a portion of a policy or contract to the extent that
  the rate of interest on which it is based, or the
  interest rate, crediting rate or similar factor
  determined by use of an index or other external
  reference stated in the policy or contract employed in
  calculating returns or changes in value:
- averaged over the period of four (4) years prior 13 (1) 14 to the date on which the Association becomes 15 obligated with respect to the policy or contract, 16 exceeds a rate of interest determined by 17 subtracting two (2) percentage points from 18 Moody's Corporate Bond Yield Average averaged for 19 that same four-year period or for such lesser 20 period if the policy or contract was issued less 21 than four (4) years before the Association became 22 obligated, and
  - (2) on and after the date on which the Association becomes obligated with respect to the policy or

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1		contract, exceeds the rate of interest determined
2		by subtracting three (3) percentage points from
3		Moody's Corporate Bond Yield Average as most
4		recently available,
5	d.	a portion of a policy or contract issued to a plan or
6		program of an employer, association or other person to
7		provide life, health or annuity benefits to its
8		employees, members or others, to the extent that the
9		plan or program is self-funded or uninsured, including
10		but not limited to benefits payable by an employer,
11		association or other person under:
12		(1) a Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement as
13		defined in 29 U.S.C. Section 1144,
14		(2) a minimum premium group insurance plan,
15		(3) a stop-loss group insurance plan, or
16		(4) an administrative services only contract <del>;</del>
17	e.	a portion of a policy or contract to the extent that
18		it provides for:
19		(1) dividends or experience rating credits,
20		(2) voting rights, or
21		(3) payment of any fees or allowances to any person,
22		including the policy or contract owner, in
23		connection with the service to or administration
24		of the policy or contract,

- 1 f. a policy or contract issued in this state by a member 2 insurer at a time when it was not licensed or did not 3 have a certificate of authority to issue the policy or 4 contract in this state,
- 5 g. a portion of a policy or contract to the extent that 6 the assessments required by Section 2030 of this title 7 with respect to the policy or contract are preempted 8 by federal or state law,
- 9 h. an obligation that does not arise under the express
  10 written terms of the policy or contract issued by the
  11 <u>member</u> insurer to the <u>enrollee</u>, <u>certificate holder or</u>
  12 contract or policy owner, including without
  13 limitation:

(1) claims based on marketing materials,

- 15 (2) claims based on side letters, riders or other
  16 documents that were issued by the <u>member</u> insurer
  17 without meeting applicable policy <u>or contract</u>
  18 form filing or approval requirements,
- 19 (3) misrepresentations of or regarding policy or
   20 contract benefits,
  - (4) extra-contractual claims, or
    - (5) a claim for penalties or consequential or incidental damages,
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i. a contractual agreement that establishes the
obligations of the member insurer to provide a book
value accounting guaranty for defined contribution
benefit plan participants by reference to a portfolio
of assets that is owned by the benefit plan or its
trustee, which in each case is not an affiliate of the
member insurer,

8 j. an unallocated annuity contract,

9 k. a portion of a policy or contract to the extent it 10 provides for interest or other changes in value to be 11 determined by the use of an index or other external 12 reference stated in the policy or contract, but which 13 have not been credited to the policy or contract, or 14 as to which the policy or contract owner's rights are 15 subject to forfeiture, as of the date the member 16 insurer becomes an impaired or insolvent insurer under 17 the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 18 Association Act, whichever is earlier. If a policy's 19 or contract's interest or changes in value are 20 credited less frequently than annually, then for 21 purposes of determining the values that have been 22 credited and are not subject to forfeiture under this 23 subparagraph, the interest or change in value 24 determined by using the procedures defined in the

1 policy or contract will be credited as if the 2 contractual date of crediting interest or changing 3 values was the date of impairment or insolvency, 4 whichever is earlier, and will not be subject to 5 forfeiture, or l. a policy or contract providing any hospital, medical, 6 7 prescription drug or other health care benefits pursuant to Part C or Part D of Subchapter XVIII, 8 9 Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the United States Code, 10 commonly known as Medicare Part C or Part D, or 11 Subchapter XIX, Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the United 12 States Code or any regulations issued pursuant 13 thereto. 14 3. The exclusion from coverage in this section shall not apply 15 to any portion of a policy or contract, including a rider that 16 provides long-term care or any other health insurance benefits. 17 C. The benefits that the Association may become obligated to 18 cover shall in no event exceed the lesser of: 19 The contractual obligations for which the member insurer is 1. liable or would have been liable if it were not an impaired or 20 21 insolvent insurer; or 22 with respect to any one life, regardless of the number 2. a. 23 of policies or contracts: 24

1 (1)Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) in 2 life insurance death benefits, but not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in net 3 cash surrender and net cash withdrawal values for 4 5 life insurance, (2) in for health insurance benefits: 6 7 (a) One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for coverages not defined as disability 8 9 income insurance or basic hospital, medical 10 and surgical insurance or major medical 11 insurance health benefit plans or long-term 12 care insurance as defined in Section 4424 of 13 this title, including any net cash surrender 14 and net cash withdrawal values, 15 Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) (b) 16 for insurance providing income payments to 17 an insured wage earner when income is 18 interrupted or terminated because of 19

19 illness, sickness or accident, commonly 20 known as disability <u>income</u> insurance and 21 Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) 22 for long-term care insurance as defined in 23 Section 4424 of this title, and

1	(c) Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00)
2	for basic hospital, medical and surgical
3	insurance or insurance providing coverage in
4	excess of that provided by a basic hospital,
5	medical and surgical insurance, commonly
6	known as major medical insurance <u>health</u>
7	<u>benefit plans</u> , or
8	(3) Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) in
9	the present value of annuity benefits, including
10	net cash surrender and net cash withdrawal
11	values, or
12	b. with respect to each payee of a structured settlement
13	annuity or beneficiary or beneficiaries of the payee
14	if the payee is deceased, Three Hundred Thousand
15	Dollars (\$300,000.00) in present value annuity
16	benefits, in the aggregate, including net cash
17	surrender and net cash withdrawal values,
18	c. however, in no event shall the Association be
19	obligated to cover more than:
20	(1) an aggregate of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
21	(\$300,000.00) in benefits with respect to any one
22	life under this subparagraph and subparagraphs a
23	and b of this paragraph except with respect to
24	benefits for basic hospital, medical and surgical

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insurance and major medical insurance <u>health</u> <u>benefit plans</u> under division (2) of subparagraph a of this paragraph, in which case the aggregate liability of the Association shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) with respect to any one individual, or

- 7 (2) with respect to one owner of multiple non-group policies of life insurance, whether the policy 8 9 or contract owner is an individual, firm, 10 corporation or other person, and whether the 11 persons insured are officers, managers, 12 employees or other persons, more than Five 13 Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in benefits, 14 regardless of the number of policies and 15 contracts held by the owner,
- 16 d. the limitations set forth in this subsection are 17 limitations on benefits for which the Association is 18 obligated before taking into account either its 19 subrogation and assignment rights or the extent to 20 which those benefits could be provided out of the 21 assets of the impaired or insolvent insurer 22 attributable to covered policies. The costs of the 23 obligations of the Association under the Oklahoma Life 24 and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act may be

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1 met by the use of assets attributable to covered 2 policies or reimbursed to the Association pursuant to 3 its subrogation and assignment rights,

<u>e.</u> for purposes of the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance
<u>Guaranty Association Act</u>, benefits provided by a long<u>term care rider to a life insurance policy or annuity</u>
<u>contract shall be considered the same type of benefits</u>
<u>as the base life insurance policy or annuity contract</u>
to which it relates.

10 D. In performing its obligations to provide coverage under Section 2028 of this title, the Association shall not be required to 11 12 guarantee, assume, reinsure, reissue or perform, or cause to be 13 guaranteed, assumed, reinsured, reissued or performed, the 14 contractual obligations of the insolvent or impaired insurer under a 15 covered policy or contract that do not materially affect the 16 economic values or economic benefits of the covered policy or 17 contract.

18 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2026, is 19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 2026. A. The Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Life 21 and Health Insurance Guaranty Association shall consist of not less 22 than five (5) seven (7) nor more than nine (9) eleven (11) member 23 insurers serving terms as established in the procedural rules of the 24 Association. A majority of the Board shall be selected from the

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fifty (50) member insurers which write the largest volume of life and accident and health premiums and annuity considerations for the previous year. The members of the Board shall be selected by member insurers subject to the approval of the Insurance Commissioner. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled for the remaining period of the term by a majority vote of the remaining Board members, subject to the approval of the Commissioner.

B. In calculating total premium for Board qualification
purposes, premiums collected by different members of the same multiinsurer group may be attributable to each member of the group;
provided, no two members of the same group shall serve on the Board
at the same time.

C. In approving selections, the Commissioner shall consider, among other things, whether all member insurers are fairly represented.

D. Members of the Board may be reimbursed according to the
provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act for expenses
incurred by them as members of the Board, but members of the Board
shall not otherwise be compensated by the Association for their
services.

21 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2027, is 22 amended to read as follows:

Section 2027. A. 1. The <u>Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance</u>
 Guaranty Association shall submit to the <u>Insurance</u> Commissioner

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procedural rules and any amendments thereto necessary or suitable to
 assure the fair, reasonable and equitable administration of the
 Association. The procedural rules and any amendments thereto shall
 become effective upon approval in writing by the Commissioner.

5 2. If the Association fails to submit suitable procedural rules within one hundred eighty (180) days following the effective date of 6 7 this act or if at any time thereafter the Association fails to submit suitable amendments to the rules, the Commissioner shall, 8 9 after notice and hearing, adopt and promulgate such reasonable rules 10 as are necessary to effectuate the provisions of this act the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. 11 Such 12 rules shall continue in force until modified by the Commissioner or 13 superseded by rules submitted by the Association and approved by the 14 Commissioner. All member insurers shall comply with the procedural 15 rules.

B. The procedural rules shall, in addition to requirements
enumerated elsewhere in this act the Oklahoma Life and Health
Insurance Guaranty Association Act:

19 1. Establish procedures for handling the assets of the
 20 Association;

21 2. Establish regular places and times for meeting of the Board 22 of Directors; 23

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3. Establish procedures for records to be kept of all financial
 transactions of the Association, its agents, and the Board of
 Directors;

4 4. Establish the procedures whereby selections for the Board of
5 Directors will be made and submitted to the Commissioner;

5. Establish any additional procedures for assessments under
7 Section 10 of this act 2030 of this title; and

8 6. Contain additional provisions necessary or proper for the9 execution of the powers and duties of the Association.

10 С. The procedural rules may provide that any or all powers and duties of the Association, except those under paragraph 3 of Section 11 12 9 and those under Section 10 of this act 2030 of this title, are 13 delegated to a corporation, association or other organization which 14 performs or will perform functions similar to those of this 15 Association, or its equivalent, in two or more states if there is a 16 reciprocal agreement with such states to provide similar services. 17 Such a corporation, association or organization shall be reimbursed 18 for any payments made on behalf of the Association and shall be paid 19 for the performance of any function of the Association. A 20 delegation of powers or duties under this subsection shall take 21 effect only with the approval of both the Board and the 22 Commissioner, and may be made only to a corporation, association or 23 organization which extends protection not substantially less 24 favorable and effective than that provided by this act.

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1SECTION 7.AMENDATORY36 O.S. 2011, Section 2028, is2amended to read as follows:

Section 2028. A. If a member insurer is an impaired insurer, the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association may, in its discretion, and subject to any conditions imposed by the Association that do not impair the contractual obligations of the impaired insurer and that are approved by the <u>Insurance</u> Commissioner:

9 1. Guarantee, assume, reissue or reinsure, or cause to be
10 guaranteed, assumed, reissued or reinsured, any or all of the
11 policies or contracts of the impaired insurer; or

12 2. Provide monies, pledges, notes, guarantees or other means as 13 are proper to effectuate paragraph 1 of this subsection, and assure 14 payment of the contractual obligations of the impaired insurer 15 pending action under paragraph 1 of this subsection.

B. If a member insurer is an insolvent insurer, the Association shall, in its discretion, either:

18	-	1.	a.	(1)	guarantee, assume <u>, reissue</u> or reinsure, or cause
19					to be guaranteed, assumed, reissued or reinsured,
20					the policies or contracts of the insolvent
21					insurer, or
22				(2)	assure payment of the contractual obligations of
23					the insolvent insurer, and

2other means as are reasonably necessary to discharge the duties of the Association; or3Le Provide benefits and coverages in accordance with the5following provisions:6a. with respect to life and health insurance policies and annuities policies and contracts, assure payment of benefits for premiums identical to the premiums and benefits, except for terms of conversion and renewability, that would have been payable under the policies or contracts of the insolvent insurer for claims incurred:13(1) with respect to group policies and contracts, not later than the earlier of the next renewal date under those policies or contracts or forty-five (45) days, but in no event less than thirty (30) days, after the date on which the Association becomes obligated with respect to the policies19	1	b.	provide monies, pledges, loans, notes, guarantees or			
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make diligent efforts to provide all known insureds, 3 b. enrollees or annuitants for non-group policies and 4 5 contracts, or group policy or contract owners with respect to group policies and contracts, thirty (30) 6 7 days' notice of the termination of the benefits provided pursuant to subparagraph a of this paragraph, 8 9 with respect to non-group life and health insurance с. 10 policies and annuities policies and contracts covered 11 by the Association, make available to each known 12 insured, enrollee or annuitant, or owner if other than 13 the insured, enrollee or annuitant, and with respect 14 to an individual formerly an insured, enrollee or 15 formerly an annuitant under a group policy or contract 16 who is not eligible for replacement group coverage, 17 make available substitute coverage on an individual 18 basis in accordance with the provisions of 19 subparagraph d of this paragraph, if the insureds, 20 enrollees or annuitants had a right under law or the 21 terminated policy, contract or annuity to convert 22 coverage to individual coverage or to continue an 23 individual policy, contract or annuity in force until 24 a specified age or for a specified time, during which

the insurer <u>or health maintenance organization</u> had no right unilaterally to make changes in any provision of the policy<u>, contract</u> or annuity or had a right only to make changes in premium by class,

- d. (1) in providing the substitute coverage required under subparagraph c of this paragraph, the Association may offer either to reissue the terminated coverage or to issue an alternative policy <u>or contract at actuarially justified</u> <u>rates, subject to the prior approval of the</u> <u>Insurance Commissioner</u>,
- 12 (2) alternative or reissued policies <u>or contracts</u>
  13 shall be offered without requiring evidence of
  14 insurability, and shall not provide for any
  15 waiting period or exclusion that would not have
  16 applied under the terminated policy <u>or contract</u>,
  17 and
- 18 (3) the Association may reinsure any alternative or
   19 reissued policy <u>or contract</u>,

20	e.	(1)	alternative policies <u>or contracts</u> adopted by the
21			Association shall be subject to the approval of
22			the domiciliary insurance commissioner and the
23			receivership court Insurance Commissioner. The
24			Association may adopt alternative policies <u>or</u>

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<u>contracts</u> of various types for future issuance without regard to any particular impairment or insolvency,

- (2) alternative policies <u>or contracts</u> shall contain at least the minimum statutory provisions required in this state and provide benefits that shall not be unreasonable in relation to the premium charged. The Association shall set the premium in accordance with a table of rates that it shall adopt. The premium shall reflect the amount of insurance to be provided and the age and class of risk of each insured, but shall not reflect any changes in the health of the insured after the original policy <u>or contract</u> was last underwritten,
- 16 (3) any alternative policy <u>or contract</u> issued by the
  17 Association shall provide coverage of a type
  18 similar to that of the policy <u>or contract</u> issued
  19 by the impaired or insolvent insurer, as
  20 determined by the Association,
- f. if the Association elects to reissue terminated coverage at a premium rate different from that charged under the terminated policy <u>or contract</u>, the premium shall be actuarially justified and set by the

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Association in accordance with the amount of insurance or coverage provided and the age and class of risk, subject to <u>prior</u> approval of the <del>domiciliary insurance</del> <del>commissioner and the receivership court</del> <u>Insurance</u> Commissioner,

- the obligations of the Association with respect to 6 g. 7 coverage under any policy or contract of the impaired or insolvent insurer or under any reissued or 8 9 alternative policy or contract shall cease on the date 10 the coverage or policy or contract is replaced by 11 another similar policy or contract by the policy or 12 contract owner, the insured, enrollee or the 13 Association,
- h. when proceeding under paragraph 2 of subsection B of
  this section with respect to a policy or contact
  <u>contract</u> carrying guaranteed minimum interest rates,
  the Association shall assure the payment or crediting
  of a rate of interest consistent with subparagraph c
  of paragraph 2 of subsection B of Section 2025 of this
  title.

C. Nonpayment of premiums within thirty-one (31) days after the date required under the terms of any guaranteed, assumed, alternative or reissued policy or contract or substitute coverage shall terminate the Association's obligations under the policy.

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1 <u>contract</u> or coverage under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance 2 Guaranty Association Act with respect to the policy, <u>contract</u> or 3 coverage, except with respect to any claims incurred or any net cash 4 surrender value which may be due in accordance with the provisions 5 of <u>this act</u> <u>the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty</u> 6 Association Act.

7 D. Premiums due for coverage after entry of an order of liquidation of an insolvent insurer shall belong to and be payable 8 9 at the direction of the Association. If the liquidator of an 10 insolvent insurer requests, the Association shall provide a report 11 to the liquidator regarding the premium collected by the 12 Association. The Association shall be liable for unearned premiums 13 due to policy or contract owners arising after the entry of the 14 order.

E. The protection provided by the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act shall not apply where any guaranty protection is provided to residents of this state by the laws of the domiciliary state or jurisdiction of the impaired or insolvent insurer other than this state.

F. In carrying out its duties under subsection B of this section the Association may, subject to approval by a court in this state:

1. Impose permanent policy or contract liens in connection with
a guarantee, assumption or reinsurance agreement, if the Association

finds that the amounts which can be assessed under this act are less than the amounts needed to assure full and prompt performance of the duties of the Association under the Oklahoma Life and Health Guaranty Insurance <u>Guaranty</u> Association Act, or that the economic or financial conditions as they affect member insurers are sufficiently adverse to render the imposition of permanent policy or contract liens, to be in the public interest; and

Impose temporary moratoriums or liens on payments of cash 8 2. 9 values and policy loans, or any other right to withdraw funds held 10 in conjunction with policies or contracts, in addition to any 11 contractual provisions for deferral of cash or policy loan value. 12 In addition, in the event of a temporary moratorium or moratorium 13 charge imposed by the receivership court on payment of cash values 14 or policy loans, or on any other right to withdraw funds held in 15 conjunction with policies or contracts, out of the assets of the 16 impaired or insolvent insurer, the Association may defer the payment 17 of cash values, policy loans or other rights by the Association for 18 the period of the moratorium or moratorium charge imposed by the 19 receivership court, except for claims covered by the Association to 20 be paid in accordance with a hardship procedure established by the 21 liquidator or rehabilitator and approved by the receivership court.

G. A deposit in this state, held pursuant to law or required by the Commissioner for the benefit of creditors, including but not limited to policy <u>or contract</u> owners, not turned over to the

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1 domiciliary liquidator upon the entry of a final order of liquidation or order approving a rehabilitation plan of an a member 2 insurer domiciled in this state or in a reciprocal state, shall be 3 4 promptly paid by the Association. The Association shall be entitled 5 to retain a portion of any amount so paid to it equal to the percentage determined by dividing the aggregate amount of policy or 6 7 contract owners claims related to that insolvency for which the Association has provided statutory benefits by the aggregate amount 8 9 of all claims by the policy or contract owners in this state related 10 to that insolvency and shall remit to the domiciliary receiver the 11 amount so paid to the Association less the amount retained pursuant 12 to this subsection. Any amount so paid to the Association and 13 retained by it shall be treated as a distribution of estate assets 14 pursuant to applicable state receivership laws dealing with early 15 access disbursements.

H. If the Association fails to act within a reasonable period of time with respect to an insolvent insurer, as provided in subsection B of this section, the Commissioner shall have the powers and duties of the Association under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act with respect to the insolvent insurer<del>;</del>.

I. The Association may render assistance and advice to the Commissioner, upon the request of the Commissioner, concerning rehabilitation, payment of claims, continuance of coverage, or the

1 performance of other contractual obligations of an impaired or 2 insolvent insurer+.

3 J. The Association shall have standing to appear or intervene 4 before a court or agency in this state which has jurisdiction over 5 an impaired or insolvent insurer concerning which the Association is or may become obligated under the Oklahoma Life and Health Guaranty 6 7 Insurance Guaranty Association Act or with jurisdiction over any person or property against which the Association may have rights 8 9 through subrogation or otherwise. Standing shall extend to all 10 matters germane to the powers and duties of the Association 11 including, but not limited to, proposals for reinsuring, reissuing, 12 modifying or guaranteeing the policies or contracts of the impaired or insolvent insurer and the determination of the policies or 13 14 contracts and contractual obligations. The Association shall also 15 have the right to appear or intervene before a court or agency in 16 another state with jurisdiction over an impaired or insolvent 17 insurer for which the Association is or may become obligated or with 18 jurisdiction over any person or property against whom the 19 Association may have rights through subrogation or otherwise. 20 Κ. Any person receiving benefits under the Oklahoma Life 1.

and Insurance Health Insurance <u>Guaranty</u> Association Act shall be deemed to have assigned the rights under, and any causes of action against any person for losses arising under, resulting from or otherwise relating to, the covered policy or contract to the

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1 Association to the extent of the benefits received because of this 2 act, whether the benefits are payments of or on account of 3 contractual obligations, continuation of coverage or provision of 4 substitute or alternative policies, contracts or coverages. The 5 Association may require an assignment to it of the rights and cause of action by any enrollee, payee, policy or contract owner, 6 7 beneficiary, insured or annuitant as a condition precedent to the receipt of any rights or benefits conferred by this act upon the 8 9 person.

10 2. The subrogation rights of the Association under this 11 subsection shall have the same priority against the assets of the 12 impaired or insolvent insurer as that possessed by the person 13 entitled to receive benefits under the Oklahoma Life and Health 14 Insurance Guaranty Association Act.

15 In addition to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection, the 3. 16 Association shall have all common law rights of subrogation and any 17 other equitable or legal remedy that would have been available to 18 the impaired or insolvent insurer or owner, beneficiary, enrollee or 19 payee of a policy or contract with respect to the policy or 20 contracts, including without limitation, in the case of a structured 21 settlement annuity, any rights of the owner, beneficiary or payee of 22 the annuity, to the extent of benefits received pursuant to the 23 Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act, against 24 a person originally or by succession responsible for the losses

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1 arising from the personal injury relating to the annuity or payment 2 therefore therefor, excepting any person responsible solely by 3 reason of serving as an assignee in respect of a qualified 4 assignment under Internal Revenue Code Section 130.

5 4. If paragraphs 1 through 3 of this subsection are invalid or 6 ineffective with respect to any person or claim for any reason, the 7 amount payable by the Association with respect to the related 8 covered obligations shall be reduced by the amount realized by any 9 other person with respect to the person or claim that is 10 attributable to the policies <u>or contracts</u>, or portion thereof, 11 covered by the Association.

12 5. If the Association has provided benefits with respect to a 13 covered obligation and a person recovers amounts as to which the 14 Association has rights as described in paragraphs 1 through 4 of 15 this subsection, the person shall pay to the Association the portion 16 of the recovery attributable to the policies <u>or contracts</u>, or 17 portion thereof, covered by the Association.

18 L. In addition to the rights and powers specified in the 19 Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act, the 20 Association may:

Enter into contracts as are necessary or proper to carry out
 the provisions and purposes of the Oklahoma Life and Health
 Insurance Guaranty Association Act;

Sue or be sued, including, but not limited to, taking any
 legal actions necessary or proper to recover any unpaid assessments
 under Section 2030 of this title and to settle claims or potential
 claims against it;

3. Borrow money to effect the purposes of the Oklahoma Life and
Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. Any notes or other
evidence of indebtedness of the Association not in default shall be
legal investments for domestic <u>member</u> insurers and may be carried as
admitted assets;

4. Employ or retain persons as are necessary or appropriate to
 handle the financial transactions of the Association, and to perform
 other functions as become necessary or proper under the Oklahoma
 Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act;

14 5. Take any legal action as may be necessary or appropriate to 15 avoid or recover payment of improper claims;

6. Exercise, for the purposes of the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act and to the extent approved by the Commissioner, the powers of a domestic life <del>or</del> <u>insurer</u>, health insurer <u>or health maintenance organization</u>, but in no case may the Association issue <del>insurance</del> policies or <del>annuity</del> contracts other than those issued to perform its obligations under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act;

23 7. Organize itself as a corporation or in other legal form
24 permitted by the laws of the state;

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8. Request information from a person seeking coverage from the
 Association in order to aid the Association in determining its
 obligations under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty
 Association Act with respect to the person, and the person shall
 promptly comply with the request; and

9. <u>Unless prohibited by law, in accordance with the terms and</u>
<u>conditions of the policy or contract, file for actuarially justified</u>
<u>rate or premium increases for any policy or contract for which it</u>
<u>provides coverage under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance</u>

## 10 Guaranty Association Act; and

11 <u>10.</u> Take other necessary or appropriate action to discharge its 12 duties and obligations under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance 13 Guaranty Association Act or to exercise its powers under the 14 Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act.

15 The Association may join an organization of one or more М. 16 other state associations of similar purposes, to further the 17 purposes and administer the powers and duties of the Association. 18 N. 1. a. At any time within one hundred eighty (180) days of 19 the date of the order of liquidation, the Association 20 may elect to succeed to the rights and obligations of 21 the ceding member insurer that relate to policies, 22 contracts or annuities covered, in whole or in part, 23 by the Association, in each case under any one or more 24 reinsurance contracts entered into by the insolvent

insurer and its reinsurers and selected by the Association. Any assumption shall be effective as of the date of the order of liquidation. The election shall be effected by the Association or the National Organization of Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Associations (NOLHGA) on its behalf sending written notice, return receipt requested, to the affected reinsurers.

- 9 b. To facilitate the earliest practicable decision about 10 whether to assume any of the contracts of reinsurance, 11 and in order to protect the financial position of the 12 estate, the receiver and each reinsurer of the ceding 13 member insurer shall make available upon request to 14 the Association or to NOLHGA on its behalf as soon as 15 possible after commencement of formal delinquency 16 proceedings, copies of in-force contracts of 17 reinsurance and all related files and records relevant 18 to the determination of whether the contracts should 19 be assumed, and notices of any defaults under the 20 reinsurance contacts or any known event or condition 21 which with the passage of time could become a default 22 under the reinsurance contracts.
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- c. The requirements provided in this subparagraph shall
   apply to reinsurance contracts assumed by the
   Association:
- 4 the Association shall be responsible for all (1)5 unpaid premiums due under the reinsurance contracts for periods both before and after the 6 7 date of the order of liquidation, and shall be responsible for the performance of all other 8 9 obligations to be performed after the date of the 10 order of liquidation, in each case which relate 11 to policies, contracts or annuities covered, in 12 whole or in part, by the Association. The 13 Association may charge policies, contracts or 14 annuities covered in part by the Association, 15 through reasonable allocation methods, the costs 16 for reinsurance in excess of the obligations of 17 the Association and shall provide notice and an 18 accounting of these charges to the liquidator, 19 (2) the Association shall be entitled to any amounts 20 payable by the reinsurer under the reinsurance 21 contracts with respect to losses or events that 22 occur in periods after the date of the order of 23 liquidation and that relate to policies,

contracts or annuities covered, in whole or in

1 part, by the Association, provided that, upon 2 receipt of any of these amounts, the Association 3 shall be obliged to pay to the beneficiary under 4 the policy, contract or annuity on account of 5 which the amounts were paid a portion of the amount equal to the lesser of: 6 7 the amount received by the Association, or (a) (b) the excess of the amount received by the 8 9 Association over the amount equal to the 10 benefits paid by the Association on account 11 of the policy, contract or annuity less the 12 retention of the insurer applicable to the 13 loss or event, 14 within thirty (30) days following the election (3) 15 date of the Association, the Association and each 16 reinsurer under contracts assumed by the 17 Association shall calculate the net balance due

18to or from the Association under each reinsurance19contract as of the election date with respect to20policies, contracts or annuities covered, in21whole or in part, by the Association, which22calculation shall give full credit to all items23paid by either the member insurer or its receiver24or the reinsurer prior to the election date. The

reinsurer shall pay the receiver any amounts due for losses or events prior to the date of the order of liquidation, subject to any set-off for premiums unpaid for periods prior to the date, and the Association or reinsurer shall pay any remaining balance due the other, in each case within five (5) days of the completion of the aforementioned calculation. Any disputes over the amounts due to either the Association or the reinsurer shall be resolved by arbitration pursuant to the terms of the affected reinsurance contracts or, if the contract contains no arbitration clause, as otherwise provided by law. If the receiver has received any amounts due the Association pursuant to division (2) of this subparagraph, the receiver shall remit the same to the Association as promptly as practicable, and

19(4) if the Association or receiver, on the behalf of20the Association, within sixty (60) days of the21election date, pays the unpaid premiums due for22periods both before and after the election date23that relate to policies, contracts or annuities24covered, in whole or in part, by the Association,

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1 the reinsurer shall not be entitled to terminate 2 the reinsurance contracts for failure to pay the 3 premium insofar as the reinsurance contracts 4 relate to policies, contracts or annuities 5 covered, in whole or in part, by the Association, and shall not be entitled to set off any unpaid 6 7 amounts due under other contracts, or unpaid amounts due from parties other than the 8 9 Association, against amounts due the Association. 10 2. During the period from the date of the order of liquidation 11 until the election date, or if the election date does not occur, 12 until one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the order of 13 liquidation: 14 neither the Association nor the reinsurer shall (1)a. 15 have any rights or obligations under reinsurance 16 contracts that the Association has the right to 17 assume under paragraph 1 of this subsection, 18 whether for periods prior to or after the date of 19 the order of liquidation, and 20 (2) the reinsurer, the receiver and the Association 21 shall, to the extent practicable, provide each 22 other data and records reasonably requested. 23 Provided that once the Association has elected to b. 24 assume a reinsurance contract, the rights and

1 2 obligations of the parties shall be governed by paragraph 1 of this subsection.

3 3. If the Association does not elect to assume a reinsurance
4 contract by the election date pursuant to paragraph 1 of this
5 subsection, the Association shall have no rights or obligations, in
6 each case for periods both before and after the date of the order of
7 liquidation, with respect to the reinsurance contract.

8 4. When policies, <u>contracts</u> or annuities, or covered 9 obligations with respect thereto, are transferred to an assuming 10 insurer, reinsurance on the policies, <u>contracts</u> or annuities may 11 also be transferred by the Association, in the case of contracts 12 assumed under paragraph 1 of this subsection, subject to the 13 following:

14 unless the reinsurer and the assuming insurer agree a. 15 otherwise, the reinsurance contract transferred shall 16 not cover any new policies, contracts of insurance or 17 annuities in addition to those transferred, 18 b. the obligations described in paragraph 1 of this 19 subsection shall no longer apply with respect to 20 matters arising after the effective date of the 21 transfer, and 22 notice shall be given in writing, return receipt с. 23 requested, by the transferring party to the affected

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1 2 reinsurer not less than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the transfer.

3 5. The provisions of this subsection shall govern any affected 4 reinsurance contract that provides for or requires any payment of 5 reinsurance proceeds, on account of losses or events that occur in periods after the date of the order of liquidation, to the receiver 6 7 of the insolvent insurer or any other person. The receiver shall remain entitled to any amounts payable by the reinsurer under the 8 9 reinsurance contracts with respect to losses or events that occur in 10 periods prior to the date of the order of liquidation, subject to 11 applicable setoff provisions.

12 6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, nothing in 13 this subsection shall alter or modify the terms and conditions of 14 any reinsurance contract. Nothing in this section shall abrogate or 15 limit any rights of any reinsurer to claim that it is entitled to 16 rescind a reinsurance contract. Nothing in this section shall give 17 a policyholder, contract owner, enrollee, certificate holder or 18 beneficiary an independent cause of action against a reinsurer that 19 is not otherwise set forth in the reinsurance contract. Nothing in 20 this section shall limit or affect the rights of the Association as 21 a creditor of the estate against the assets of the state. Nothing 22 in this section shall apply to reinsurance agreements covering 23 property or casualty risks.

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O. The Board of Directors of the Association shall have
 discretion and may exercise reasonable business judgment to
 determine the means by which the Association is to provide the
 benefits of the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty
 Association Act in an economical and efficient manner.

P. Where the Association has arranged or offered to provide the benefits of the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act to a covered person under a plan or arrangement that fulfills the obligations of the Association under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act, the person shall not be entitled to benefits from the Association in addition to or other than those provided under the plan or arrangement.

Q. Venue in a suit against the Association arising under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act shall be in Oklahoma County. The Association shall not be required to give an appeal bond in an appeal that relates to a cause of action arising under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act.

19 R. In carrying out its duties in connection with guaranteeing, 20 assuming or reinsuring policies or contracts under subsection A or B 21 of this section, the Association may, subject to approval of the 22 receivership court, issue substitute coverage for a policy or 23 contract that provides an interest rate, crediting rate or similar 24 factor determined by use of an index or other external reference

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1 stated in the policy or contract employed in calculating returns or 2 changes in value by issuing an alternative policy or contract in 3 accordance with the following provisions:

In lieu of the index or other external reference provided
 for in the original policy or contract, the alternative policy or
 contract provides for:

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- a. a fixed interest rate,
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b. payment of dividends with minimum guarantees, or

9 c. a different method for calculating interest or changes 10 in value;

11 2. There is no requirement for evidence of insurability, 12 waiting period or other exclusion that would not have applied under 13 the replaced policy or contract; and

3. The alternative policy or contract is substantially similar
to the replaced policy or contract in all other material terms.
SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2030, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 2030. A. For the purpose of providing the funds necessary to carry out the powers and duties of the <u>Oklahoma Life</u> and <u>Health Insurance Guaranty</u> Association, the Board <u>of Directors of</u> <u>the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association</u> shall assess the member insurers, separately for each account, at such time and for such amounts as the Board finds necessary. Assessments shall be due not less than thirty (30) days after prior written

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notice to the member insurers and shall accrue interest at six
 percent (6%) per annum on and after the due date.

Class A assessments shall be made for the purpose of meeting
 administrative and legal costs and other expenses and examinations
 conducted under the authority of subsection D of Section 2033 of the
 Insurance Code. Class A assessments may be made whether or not
 related to a particular impaired or insolvent insurer;

There shall be two classes of assessments, as follows:

9 2. Class B assessments shall be made to the extent necessary to 10 carry out the powers and duties of the Association under Section 11 2028 of the Insurance Code this title with regard to an impaired or 12 an insolvent foreign or domestic insurer.

13 С. 1. The amount of any Class A assessment shall be determined 14 by the Board and may be made on a pro rata or non-pro rata basis. 15 If pro rata, the Board may provide that it be credited against 16 future Class B assessments. A non-pro rata assessment shall be 17 credited against future insolvency assessments and shall not exceed 18 One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per member insurer in any one 19 calendar year.

The amount of any Class B assessment, except for assessments related to long-term care insurance, shall be allocated for assessment purposes among the accounts <u>and among the subaccounts of</u> the life insurance and annuity account, pursuant to an allocation formula which may be based on the premiums or reserves of the

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1 impaired or insolvent insurer or any other standard deemed by the 2 Board in its sole discretion as being fair and reasonable under the 3 circumstances.

The amount of the Class B assessment for long-term care insurance written by the impaired or insolvent insurer shall be allocated according to a methodology included in the plan of operation and approved by the Commissioner. The methodology shall provide for fifty percent (50%) of the assessment to be allocated to accident and health member insurers and fifty percent (50%) to be allocated to life and annuity member insurers.

11 2. Class B assessments against member insurers for each account 12 shall be in the proportion that the premiums received on business in 13 this state by each assessed member insurer on policies or contracts 14 covered by each account for the three (3) most recent calendar years 15 for which information is available preceding the year in which the 16 member insurer became impaired or insolvent, as the case may be, 17 bears to such premiums received on business in this state for such 18 calendar years by all assessed member insurers.

Assessments for funds to meet the requirements of the
 Association with respect to an impaired or insolvent insurer shall
 not be made until necessary to implement the purposes of this act.
 Classification of assessments under subsection B of this section and
 computation of assessments under this subsection shall be made with

a reasonable degree of accuracy, recognizing that exact
 determinations may not always be possible.

3 D. The Association may abate, or defer in whole or in part, the 4 assessment of a member insurer if, in the opinion of the Board, 5 payment of the assessment would endanger the ability of the member insurer to fulfill its contractual obligations. In the event an 6 assessment against a member insurer is abated, or deferred in whole 7 or in part, the amount by which such assessment is abated or 8 9 deferred may be assessed against the other member insurers in a 10 manner consistent with the basis for assessments set forth in this 11 section.

12 Ε. The total of all assessments upon a member insurer for each 13 account in any one (1) calendar year shall not exceed two percent 14 (2%) of such average premiums of the insurer received in this state 15 during the three (3) calendar years preceding the assessment on the 16 policies and contracts covered by the account and in which the 17 member insurer became an impaired or insolvent insurer. If the 18 maximum assessment together with the other assets of the Association 19 in any account does not provide in any one (1) year in either 20 account an amount sufficient to carry out the responsibilities of 21 the Association, the necessary additional funds shall be assessed as 22 soon thereafter as permitted by this act the Oklahoma Life and 23 Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. The Board may provide in 24 the plan of operation, a method of allocating funds among claims,

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whether relating to one or more impaired or insolvent insurers, when the maximum assessment will be insufficient to cover anticipated claims.

4 F. The Board may, by an equitable method as established in the 5 plan of operation, refund to member insurers, in proportion to the contributions of each insurer to that account, the amount by which 6 7 the assets of the account exceed the amount the Board finds is necessary to carry out the obligations of the Association during the 8 9 coming year with regard to that account, including assets accruing 10 from assignment, subrogation, net realized gains and income from 11 investments. A reasonable amount may be retained in any account to 12 provide funds for the continuing expenses of the Association and for 13 future losses.

G. It shall be proper for any member insurer to consider the
amount reasonably necessary to meet its obligations under this act
in determining its premium rates and policyowner policy owner
dividends as to any kind of insurance <u>or health maintenance</u>
<u>organization business</u> within the scope of this act <u>the Oklahoma Life</u>
and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act.

H. The Association shall issue to each <u>member</u> insurer paying an
assessment under this act the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance
<u>Guaranty Association Act</u>, other than a Class A assessment, a
certificate of contribution, in a form prescribed by the
Commissioner, for the amount of the assessment so paid. All

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outstanding certificates shall be of equal priority without reference to amounts or dates of issue. A certificate of contribution may be shown by the <u>member</u> insurer in its financial statement as an asset in such form and for such amount, if any, and period of time as the Commissioner may approve.

6 I. A member insurer may offset against its premium, franchise 7 or income tax liability to this state, an assessment described in subsection H of this section to the extent of twenty percent (20%) 8 9 of the amount of such assessment for each of the five (5) calendar 10 years following the year in which such assessment was paid. In the 11 event a member insurer should cease doing business, all uncredited 12 assessments may be credited against its premium, franchise or income 13 tax liability for the year it ceases doing business.

14 Any sums acquired by refund, pursuant to subsection F of J. 15 this section, from the Association which have theretofore been 16 written off by contributing insurers and offset against premium, 17 franchise or income taxes as provided in subsection I of this 18 section, and are not then needed for purposes of this act the 19 Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act, shall 20 be paid by the Association to the Insurance Commissioner who shall 21 dispense such funds in accordance with the statutes regarding 22 disbursement of such taxes.

23 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2032, is 24 amended to read as follows:

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Section 2032. A. To aid in the detection and prevention of
 <u>member</u> insurer insolvencies, it shall be the duty of the <u>Insurance</u>
 Commissioner:

To notify the commissioners of all of the other states,
 territories of the United States and the District of Columbia within
 thirty (30) days following the action taken or the date the action
 occurs, when the Commissioner takes any of the following actions
 against a member insurer:

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a. revocation of license,

10 b. suspension of license, or

c. makes a formal order that the company <u>member insurer</u> restrict its premium writing, obtain additional contributions to surplus, withdraw from the state, reinsure all or any part of its business, or increase capital, surplus or any other account for the security of policy owners, <u>contract owners</u>, <u>certificate owners</u> or creditors;

18 2. To report to the board of directors when the Commissioner 19 has taken any of the actions set forth in paragraph 1 of this 20 subsection or has received a report from any other commissioner of 21 other states indicating that any action has been taken in another 22 state. The report to the board of directors shall contain all 23 significant details of the action taken or the report received from 24 a commissioner from another state;

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3. To report to the board when the Commissioner has reasonable
 cause to believe from an examination, whether completed or in
 process, of any member insurer that the insurer may be an impaired
 or insolvent insurer;

To furnish to the board of directors the National 5 4. Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Insurance Regulatory 6 7 Information System (IRIS) ratios and listings of companies not included in the ratios developed by the NAIC, and the board may use 8 9 the information contained therein in carrying out its duties and 10 responsibilities under this section. The report and the information 11 contained therein shall be kept confidential by the board of 12 directors until a time as made public by the Commissioner or other 13 lawful authority.

B. The Commissioner may seek the advice and recommendations of the board of directors <u>of the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance</u> <u>Guaranty Association</u> concerning any matter affecting the duties and responsibilities of the Commissioner regarding the financial condition of member insurers and <del>companies</del> <u>health maintenance</u> <u>organizations</u> seeking admission to transact <u>insurance</u> business in this state.

C. The board of directors may, upon majority vote, make reports and recommendations to the Commissioner upon any matter germane to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation or conservation of any member insurer or germane to the solvency of any company member

1 <u>insurer or health maintenance organization</u> seeking to do <del>an</del> 2 <del>insurance</del> business in this state. The reports and recommendations 3 shall not be considered public documents.

D. The board of directors may, upon majority vote, notify the Commissioner of any information indicating a member insurer may be an impaired or insolvent insurer.

7 E. The board of directors may, upon majority vote, make
8 recommendations to the Commissioner for the detection and prevention
9 of member insurer insolvencies.

10SECTION 10.AMENDATORY36 O.S. 2011, Section 2036, is11amended to read as follows:

12 Section 2036. A. For the purpose of carrying out its 13 obligations under the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 14 Association Act, the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 15 Association shall be deemed to be a creditor of the impaired or 16 insolvent insurer to the extent of assets attributable to covered policies reduced by any amounts to which the Association is entitled 17 18 as subrogee pursuant to subsection K of Section 2028 of this title. 19 Assets of the impaired or insolvent insurer attributable to covered 20 policies shall be used to continue all covered policies and pay all 21 contractual obligations of the impaired or insolvent insurer as 22 required by the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 23 Association Act. Assets attributable to covered policies or 24 contracts, as used in this subsection, are that proportion of the

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1 assets that the reserves which should have been established for such 2 policies, <u>or contracts</u> bear to the reserves which should have been 3 established for all policies of insurance <u>or health benefit plans</u> 4 written by the impaired or insolvent insurer.

5 B. As a creditor of the impaired or insolvent insurer as established in subsection A of this section and consistent with 6 7 Section 1927.1 of this title, the Association and other similar associations shall be entitled to receive a disbursement of assets 8 9 out of the marshaled assets, from time to time as the assets become 10 available to reimburse it, as a credit against contractual 11 obligations under this act. If the liquidator has not, within one 12 hundred twenty (120) days of a final determination of insolvency of 13 an a member insurer by the receivership court, made an application 14 to the court for the approval of a proposal to disburse assets out 15 of marshaled assets to guaranty associations having obligations 16 because of the insolvency, then the Association shall be entitled to 17 make application to the receivership court for approval of its own 18 proposal to disburse these assets.

19SECTION 11.AMENDATORY36 O.S. 2011, Section 2038, is20amended to read as follows:

Section 2038. A. If an order for liquidation or rehabilitation of <u>an a member</u> insurer domiciled in this state has been entered, the receiver appointed under such order shall have a right to recover on behalf of the member insurer, from any affiliate that controlled it,

1 the amount of distributions, other than stock dividends paid by the 2 <u>member</u> insurer on its capital stock, made at any time during the 3 five (5) years preceding the petition for liquidation or 4 rehabilitation subject to the limitations of subsections B through D 5 of this section.

B. No such dividend shall be recoverable if the <u>member</u> insurer
shows that when paid the distribution was lawful and reasonable, and
that the <u>member</u> insurer did not know and could not reasonably have
known that the distribution might adversely affect the ability of
the <u>member</u> insurer to fulfill its contractual obligations.

11 C. Any person who was an affiliate that controlled the member 12 insurer at the time the distributions were paid shall be liable up 13 to the amount of distributions he received. Any person who was an 14 affiliate that controlled the member insurer at the time the 15 distributions were declared, shall be liable up to the amount of 16 distributions he would have received if they have been paid 17 immediately. If two (2) persons are liable with respect to the same 18 distributions, they shall be jointly and severally liable.

D. The maximum amount recoverable under this subsection shall be the amount needed in excess of all other available assets of the insolvent insurer to pay the contractual obligations of the insolvent insurer.

E. If any person liable under subsection C of this section isinsolvent, all its affiliates that controlled it at the time the

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1 dividend was paid shall be jointly and severally liable for any 2 resulting deficiency in the amount recovered from the insolvent 3 affiliate.

4 SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 2043, is 5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 2043. A. No person, including an a member insurer, 7 agent or affiliate of an a member insurer, shall make, publish, disseminate, circulate or place before the public, or cause directly 8 9 or indirectly to be made, published, disseminated, circulated or 10 placed before the public, in any newspaper, magazine or other 11 publication, or in the form of a notice, circular, pamphlet, letter 12 or poster, or over any radio station or television station, or in 13 any other way, any advertisement, announcement or statement which 14 uses the existence of the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance 15 Guaranty Association of this state for the purpose of sales, 16 solicitation or inducement to purchase any form of insurance or 17 other coverage covered by the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance 18 Guaranty Association Act. Provided, however, that this section 19 shall not apply to the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 20 Association or any other entity which does not sell or solicit 21 insurance or coverage by a health maintenance organization.

B. Prior to May 1, 1988, the <u>The</u> Association shall prepare <u>have</u>
a summary document describing the general purposes and current
limitations of the Association and complying with subsection C of

1 this section. This document shall be have been submitted to, and 2 approved by, the Insurance Commissioner by May 1, 1988, for approval. Sixty (60) days after receiving such approval, no member 3 insurer shall deliver a policy or contract described in paragraph 1 4 5 of subsection B of Section 2025 of this title to a policy or owner, contract owner, certificate holder or enrollee unless the document 6 7 is delivered to the policy or contract holder prior to or at the time of delivery of the policy or contract, except if subsection D 8 9 of this section applies. The document should also be available upon 10 request by a policyholder policy owner, contract owner, certificate 11 holder or enrollee. The distribution, delivery or contents or 12 interpretation of this document shall not mean that either the 13 policy or the contract or the holder thereof would be covered in the 14 event of impairment or insolvency of a member insurer. The 15 description document shall be revised by the Association as 16 amendments to the act may require. Failure to receive this document 17 does not give the policyholder, contract holder, certificate holder, 18 enrollee or insured any greater rights than those stated in this 19 act.

C. The document prepared under subsection B of this section shall contain a clear and conspicuous disclaimer on its face. The Commissioner shall promulgate a rule establishing the form and content of the disclaimer. The disclaimer shall:

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State the name and address of the life and health insurance
 guaranty association and insurance department;

2. Prominently warn the policy or owner, contract owner,
<u>certificate</u> holder or enrollee that the Life and Health Insurance
Guaranty Association may not cover the policy or contract or, if
coverage is available, it will be subject to substantial
limitations, exclusions and conditioned on continued residence in
the state;

9 3. State that the <u>member</u> insurer and its agents are prohibited
10 by law from using the existence of the <u>Oklahoma</u> Life and Health
11 Insurance Guaranty Association for the purpose of sales,
12 solicitation or inducement to purchase any form of insurance <u>or</u>
13 health maintenance organization coverage;

4. Emphasize that the policy or contract holder should not rely
on coverage under the <u>Oklahoma</u> Life and Health Insurance Guaranty
Association when selecting an insurer;

17 5. Provide other information as directed by the Commissioner. 18 No insurer or agent may deliver a policy or contract D. 19 described in paragraph 1 of subsection B of Section 2025 of this 20 title, but excluded under subparagraph a of paragraph 2 of 21 subsection B of Section 2025 of this title from coverage under this 22 act the Oklahoma Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act, 23 unless the insurer or agent, prior to or at the time of delivery, 24 gives the policy or owner, contract owner, certificate holder or

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<u>enrollee</u> a separate written notice which clearly and conspicuously
 discloses that the policy or contract is not covered by the Life and
 Health Insurance Guaranty Association. The Commissioner shall by
 rule specify the form and content of the notice.

5 SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 6913, as 6 amended by Section 19, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 2014 (36 O.S. Supp. 2018, 7 Section 6913), is amended to read as follows:

8 Section 6913. A. 1. Before issuing any certificate of 9 authority, the Insurance Commissioner shall require that the health 10 maintenance organization have an initial net worth of One Million 11 Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) and that the HMO shall 12 thereafter maintain the minimum net worth required under paragraph 2 13 of this subsection.

14 2. Except as provided in paragraphs 3 and 4 of this subsection, 15 every health maintenance organization shall maintain a minimum net 16 worth equal to the greater of:

17 a. One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
18 (\$1,500,000.00),

b. two percent (2%) of annual premium revenues as
reported on the most recent annual financial statement
filed with the Commissioner on the first One Hundred
Fifty Million Dollars (\$150,000,000.00) of premium and
one percent (1%) of annual premium on the premium in

1	e	excess of One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars
2		\$150,000,000.00),
3	c. a	in amount equal to the sum of three (3) months of
4	u	incovered health care expenditures as reported on the
5	m	nost recent financial statement filed with the
6	C	commissioner, or
7		in amount equal to the sum of:
8		1) eight percent (8%) of annual health care
9		expenditures, except those paid on a capitated
10		basis or managed hospital payment basis, as
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		reported on the most recent financial statement
12		filed with the Commissioner, and
13	(	2) four percent (4%) of annual hospital expenditures
14		paid on a managed hospital payment basis, as
15		reported on the most recent financial statement
16		filed with the Commissioner.
17	3. Every h	ealth maintenance organization licensed before
18	November 1, 200	3, shall maintain a minimum net worth of the greater
19	of Seven Hundre	ed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) or:
20	a. t	wenty-five percent (25%) of the amount required by
21	q	paragraph 2 of this subsection by December 31, 2003,

paragraph 2 of this subsection by December 31, 2004,

b. fifty percent (50%) of the amount required by

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- 1 c. seventy-five percent (75%) of the amount required by 2 paragraph 2 of this subsection by December 31, 2005, 3 and
- 4 d. one hundred percent (100%) of the amount required by 5 paragraph 2 of this subsection by December 31, 2006. 4. In determining net worth, no debt shall be considered 6 a. 7 fully subordinated unless the subordination clause is in a form acceptable to the Commissioner. An interest 8 9 obligation relating to the repayment of any 10 subordinated debt shall be similarly subordinated. 11 The interest expenses relating to the repayment of a b. 12 fully subordinated debt shall be considered covered 13 expenses.
- c. A debt incurred by a note meeting the requirements of
  this section, and otherwise acceptable to the
  Insurance Commissioner, shall not be considered a
  liability and shall be recorded as equity.

B. 1. Unless otherwise provided below, each health maintenance organization shall deposit with the Commissioner or, at the discretion of the Commissioner, with any organization or trustee acceptable to the Commissioner through which a custodial or controlled account is utilized, cash, securities, or any combination of these or other measures that are acceptable to the Commissioner,

which at all times shall have a value of not less than Five Hundred
 Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00).

3 2. The deposit shall be an admitted asset of the health4 maintenance organization in the determination of net worth.

5 3. All income from deposits shall be an asset of the 6 organization. A health maintenance organization that has made a 7 securities deposit may withdraw that deposit or any part thereof 8 after making a substitute deposit of cash, securities, or any 9 combination of these or other measures of equal amount and value. 10 Any securities shall be approved by the Commissioner before being 11 deposited or substituted.

12 The deposit shall be used to protect the interests of the 4. health maintenance organization's enrollees and to ensure 13 14 continuation of health care services to enrollees of a health 15 maintenance organization that is in rehabilitation or conservation. 16 The Commissioner may use the deposit for administrative costs 17 directly attributable to a receivership or liquidation. If a health 18 maintenance organization is placed in receivership or liquidation, 19 the deposit shall be an asset subject to the provisions of the 20 Uniform Insurers Liquidation Act.

5. The Insurance Commissioner may reduce or eliminate the deposit requirement if a health maintenance organization deposits with the Commissioner or other official body of the state or jurisdiction of domicile for the protection of all subscribers and

enrollees of the health maintenance organization, wherever located,
 cash, acceptable securities or surety, and delivers to the
 Commissioner a certificate to that effect, duly authenticated by the
 appropriate state official holding the deposit.

C. 1. Every health maintenance organization shall, when
determining liabilities, include an amount estimated in the
aggregate to provide for:

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a. any unearned premium,

b. the payment of all claims for incurred health care
expenditures, whether reported or unreported, that are
unpaid and for which the organization is or may be
liable, and

13 c. the expense of adjustment or settlement of those14 claims.

15 2. The liabilities shall be computed in accordance with rules 16 promulgated by the Commissioner upon reasonable consideration of the 17 ascertained experience and character of the health maintenance 18 organization.

D. 1. Every contract between a health maintenance organization and a participating provider of health care services shall be in writing and shall provide that, in the event the health maintenance organization fails to pay for health care services as set forth in the contract, a subscriber or an enrollee shall not be liable to the provider for any sums owed by the health maintenance organization.

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In the event that the participating provider contract has
 not been reduced to writing as required by this subsection or that
 the contract fails to contain the required prohibition, the
 participating provider shall not collect or attempt to collect from
 a subscriber or an enrollee sums owed by the health maintenance
 organization.

No participating provider or the provider's agent, trustee
or assignee may maintain an action at law against a subscriber or
enrollee to collect sums owed by the health maintenance
organization.

E. The Commissioner shall require that each health maintenance organization have a plan for handling insolvency that allows for continuation of benefits for the duration of the contract period for which premiums have been paid and continuation of benefits to subscribers or enrollees who are confined on the date of insolvency in an inpatient facility until their discharge or expiration of benefits. In considering such a plan, the Commissioner may require:

Insurance to cover the expenses to be paid for continued
 benefits after an insolvency;

20 2. Provisions in provider contracts that obligate the provider 21 to provide services for the duration of the period after the health 22 maintenance organization's insolvency for which premium payment has 23 been made and until the enrollees' discharge from inpatient

24 facilities;

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1	3. Insolvency reserves;		
2	4. Acceptable letters of credit; or		
3	5. Any other arrangements to ensure continuation of benefits as		
4	specified above.		
5	F. An agreement to provide health care services between a		
6	provider and a health maintenance organization shall require that is		
7	the provider terminates the agreement, the provider shall give the		
8	organization at least ninety (90) days' advance notice of such		
9	termination.		
10	SECTION 14. REPEALER 36 O.S. 2011, Sections 6914, 6921,		
11	and 6932, are hereby repealed.		
12	SECTION 15. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.		
13	Passed the House of Representatives the 7th day of March, 2019.		
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15	Presiding Officer of the House		
16	Passed the Senate the day of, 2019.		
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