HOUSE BILL 2094

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 14, relative to surplus lines licensing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-14-104, is amended by adding the following new subsection (e):

- (e) An agent licensed pursuant to this section may accept insurance provided for in this chapter from any insurance producer licensed pursuant to chapter 6 of this title and place that insurance with an eligible surplus lines insurer licensed pursuant to this chapter. The agent may compensate the insurance producer according to § 56-14-115. SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-14-108, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting the following:
 - (b) A person who does not have a valid license as required by § 56-14-104 shall not engage in the transaction of insurance or act in this state directly as an agent for a nonadmitted insurer in the procurement of insurance, or renewals of insurance.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-14-115, is amended by deleting the section and substituting the following:

Agents licensed in accordance with this chapter shall not pay the whole or any part of the commission on surplus lines insurance to any person, except that the commissions may be shared or divided with any other person licensed by the commissioner as a surplus lines agent or licensed pursuant to chapter 6.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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