HB1955 Engrossed

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

## 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by 5 changing Sections 35B-25, 131.1, 131.8, and 131.22 and by 6 adding Section 131.20d as follows:

7 (215 ILCS 5/35B-25)

8 Sec. 35B-25. Plan of division approval.

9 (a) A division shall not become effective until it is 10 approved by the Director after reasonable notice and a public 11 hearing, if the notice and hearing are deemed by the Director 12 to be in the public interest. The Director shall hold a public 13 hearing if one is requested by the dividing company. A hearing 14 conducted under this Section shall be conducted in accordance 15 with Article 10 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act.

16 (b) The Director shall approve a plan of division unless 17 the Director finds that:

18 (1) the interest of any class of policyholder or
19 shareholder of the dividing company will not be properly
20 protected;

(2) each new company created by the proposed division,
 except a new company that is a nonsurviving party to a
 merger pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 156, would be

HB1955 Engrossed - 2 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

ineligible to receive a license to do insurance business
 in this State pursuant to Section 5;

3 (2.5) each new company created by the proposed division, except a new company that is a nonsurviving 4 5 party to a merger pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 156, that will be a member insurer of the Illinois Life and 6 7 Health Insurance Guaranty Association and that will have 8 policy liabilities allocated to it will not be licensed to 9 do insurance business in each state where such policies 10 were written by the dividing company;

11 (3) the proposed division violates a provision of the 12 Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act;

13 (4) the division is being made for purposes of 14 hindering, delaying, or defrauding any policyholders or 15 other creditors of the dividing company;

16 (5) one or more resulting companies will not be17 solvent upon the consummation of the division; or

18 (6) the remaining assets of one or more resulting 19 companies will be, upon consummation of a division, 20 unreasonably small in relation to the business and 21 transactions in which the resulting company was engaged or 22 is about to engage.

(c) In determining whether the standards set forth in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) have been satisfied, the Director shall only apply the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act to a dividing company in its capacity as a resulting company HB1955 Engrossed - 3 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

and shall not apply the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act to any
 dividing company that is not proposed to survive the division.

(d) In determining whether the standards set forth in 3 paragraphs (3), (4), (5), and (6) of subsection (b) have been 4 5 satisfied, the Director may consider all proposed assets of 6 including, without the resulting company, limitation, reinsurance agreements, parental guarantees, support or keep 7 8 well agreements, or capital maintenance or contingent capital 9 agreements, in each case, regardless of whether the same would 10 qualify as an admitted asset as defined in Section 3.1.

11 (e) In determining whether the standards set forth in 12 paragraph (3) of subsection (b) have been satisfied, with 13 respect to each resulting company, the Director shall, in 14 applying the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act, treat:

15

(1) the resulting company as a debtor;

16 (2) liabilities allocated to the resulting company as17 obligations incurred by a debtor;

18 (3) the resulting company as not having received 19 reasonably equivalent value in exchange for incurring the 20 obligations; and

21 (4) assets allocated to the resulting company as22 remaining property.

(f) All information, documents, materials, and copies thereof submitted to, obtained by, or disclosed to the Director in connection with a plan of division or in contemplation thereof, including any information, documents, HB1955 Engrossed - 4 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

materials, or copies provided by or on behalf of a domestic 1 2 stock company in advance of its adoption or submission of a plan of division, shall be confidential and shall be subject 3 to the same protection and treatment in accordance with 4 5 Section 131.22 131.14d as documents and reports disclosed to or filed with the Director pursuant to Section 131.14b until 6 7 such time, if any, as a notice of the hearing contemplated by subsection (a) is issued. 8

9 (q) From and after the issuance of a notice of the hearing 10 contemplated by subsection (a), all business, financial, and 11 actuarial information that the domestic stock company requests 12 confidential treatment, other than the plan of division, shall 13 continue to be confidential and shall not be available for 14 public inspection and shall be subject to the same protection 15 and treatment in accordance with Section 131.22 131.14d as 16 documents and reports disclosed to or filed with the Director 17 pursuant to Section 131.14b.

(h) All expenses incurred by the Director in connection 18 19 with proceedings under this Section, including expenses for 20 the services of any attorneys, actuaries, accountants, and other experts as may be reasonably necessary to assist the 21 22 Director in reviewing the proposed division, shall be paid by 23 the dividing company filing the plan of division. A dividing 24 company may allocate expenses described in this subsection in 25 a plan of division in the same manner as any other liability. 26 (i) If the Director approves a plan of division, the

HB1955 Engrossed - 5 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

Director shall issue an order that shall be accompanied by
 findings of fact and conclusions of law.

(j) The conditions in this Section for freeing one or more 3 resulting companies from the liabilities of 4 of the the 5 dividing company and for allocating some or all of the 6 liabilities of the dividing company shall be conclusively 7 deemed to have been satisfied if the plan of division has been 8 approved by the Director in a final order that is not subject 9 to further appeal.

10 (Source: P.A. 100-1118, eff. 11-27-18; 101-549, eff. 1-1-20.)

11 (215 ILCS 5/131.1) (from Ch. 73, par. 743.1)

12 Sec. 131.1. Definitions. As used in this Article, the 13 following terms have the respective meanings set forth in this 14 Section unless the context requires otherwise:

(a) An "affiliate" of, or person "affiliated" with, a
specific person, is a person that directly, or indirectly
through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled
by, or is under common control with, the person specified.

19 (a-5) "Acquiring party" means such person by whom or on 20 whose behalf the merger or other acquisition of control 21 referred to in Section 131.4 is to be affected and any person 22 that controls such person or persons.

23 (a-10) "Associated person" means, with respect to an 24 acquiring party, (1) any beneficial owner of shares of the 25 company to be acquired, owned, directly or indirectly, of HB1955 Engrossed - 6 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

record or beneficially by the acquiring party, (2) 1 anv 2 affiliate of the acquiring party or beneficial owner, and (3) 3 any other person acting in concert, directly or indirectly, pursuant to any agreement, arrangement, or understanding, 4 5 whether written or oral, with the acquiring party or beneficial owner, or any of their respective affiliates, in 6 7 with the merger, consolidation, or connection other 8 acquisition of control referred to in Section 131.4 of this 9 Code.

10 (a-15) "Company" has the same meaning as "company" as 11 defined in Section 2 of this Code, except that it does not 12 include agencies, authorities, or instrumentalities of the 13 United States, its possessions and territories, the 14 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, or a 15 state or political subdivision of a state.

16 (b) "Control" (including the terms "controlling", 17 "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or 18 19 cause the direction of the management and policies of a 20 person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, the holding of shareholders' or policyholders' proxies by 21 22 contract other than a commercial contract for goods or 23 non-management services, or otherwise, unless the power is solely the result of an official position with or corporate 24 25 office held by the person. Control is presumed to exist if any 26 person, directly or indirectly, owns, controls, holds with the

HB1955 Engrossed - 7 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

power to vote, or holds shareholders' proxies representing 10% 1 or more of the voting securities of any other person, or holds 2 or controls sufficient policyholders' proxies to elect the 3 majority of the board of directors of the domestic company. 4 5 This presumption may be rebutted by a showing made in the manner as the Director may provide by rule. The Director may 6 7 determine, after furnishing all persons in interest notice and 8 opportunity to be heard and making specific findings of fact 9 to support such determination, that control exists in fact, 10 notwithstanding the absence of a presumption to that effect.

11 (b-5) "Enterprise risk" means any activity, circumstance, 12 event, or series of events involving one or more affiliates of a company that, if not remedied promptly, is likely to have a 13 14 material adverse effect upon the financial condition or 15 liquidity of the company or its insurance holding company 16 system as a whole, including, but not limited to, anything 17 that would cause the company's risk-based capital to fall into company action level as set forth in Article IIA of this Code 18 19 or would cause the company to be in hazardous financial 20 condition as set forth in Article XII 1/2 of this Code.

(b-10) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, together with the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

24 <u>(b-15) "Group-wide supervisor" means the regulatory</u> 25 <u>official authorized to engage in conducting and coordinating</u> 26 <u>group-wide supervision activities who is determined or</u>

	HB1955 Engrossed - 8 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b
1	acknowledged by the Director under Section 131.20d of this
2	Code to have sufficient contacts with an internationally
3	active insurance group.
4	(c) "Insurance holding company system" means two or more
5	affiliated persons, one or more of which is an insurance
6	company as defined in paragraph (e) of Section 2 of this Code.
7	(c-5) "Internationally active insurance group" means an
8	insurance holding company system that:
9	(1) includes an insurer registered under Section 4 of
10	this Code; and
11	(2) meets the following criteria:
12	(A) premiums written in at least 3 countries;
13	(B) the percentage of gross premiums written
14	outside the United States is at least 10% of the
15	insurance holding company system's total gross written
16	premiums; and
17	(C) based on a 3-year rolling average, the total
18	assets of the insurance holding company system are at
19	least \$50,000,000,000 or the total gross written
20	premiums of the insurance holding company system are
21	<u>at least \$10,000,000.</u>
22	(d) (Blank).
23	(d-1) "NAIC" means the National Association of Insurance
24	Commissioners.
25	(d-5) "Non-operating holding company" is a general
26	business corporation functioning solely for the purpose of

HB1955 Engrossed - 9 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 forming, owning, acquiring, and managing subsidiary business
2 entities and having no other business operations not related
3 thereto.

(d-10) "Own", "owned," or "owning" means shares (1) with 4 5 respect to which a person has title or to which a person's nominee, custodian, or other agent has title and which such 6 7 nominee, custodian, or other agent is holding on behalf of the 8 person or (2) with respect to which a person (A) has purchased 9 or has entered into an unconditional contract, binding on both 10 parties, to purchase the shares, but has not yet received the 11 shares, (B) owns a security convertible into or exchangeable 12 for the shares and has tendered the security for conversion or exchange, (C) has an option to purchase or acquire, or rights 13 14 or warrants to subscribe to, the shares and has exercised such 15 option, rights, or warrants, or (D) holds a securities futures 16 contract to purchase the shares and has received notice that 17 the position will be physically settled and is irrevocably bound to receive the underlying shares. To the extent that any 18 affiliates of the stockholder or beneficial owner are acting 19 20 in concert with the stockholder or beneficial owner, the determination of shares owned may include the effect of 21 22 aggregating the shares owned by the affiliate or affiliates. 23 Whether shares constitute shares owned shall be decided by the Director in his or her reasonable determination. 24

(e) "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited
liability company, a partnership, an association, a joint

HB1955 Engrossed - 10 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

stock company, a trust, an unincorporated organization, any similar entity or any combination of the foregoing acting in concert, but does not include any securities broker performing no more than the usual and customary broker's function or joint venture partnership exclusively engaged in owning, managing, leasing or developing real or tangible personal property other than capital stock.

8 (e-5) "Policyholders' proxies" are proxies that give the 9 holder the right to vote for the election of the directors and 10 other corporate actions not in the day to day operations of the 11 company.

12

(f) (Blank).

13 <u>(f-5) "Securityholder" of a specified person is one who</u> 14 <u>owns any security of such person, including common stock,</u> 15 <u>preferred stock, debt obligations, and any other security</u> 16 <u>convertible into or evidencing the right to acquire any of the</u> 17 <u>foregoing.</u>

18 (g) "Subsidiary" of a specified person is an affiliate 19 controlled by such person directly, or indirectly through one 20 or more intermediaries.

(h) "Voting Security" is a security which gives to the holder thereof the right to vote for the election of directors and includes any security convertible into or evidencing a right to acquire a voting security.

25 (i) (Blank).

26 (j) (Blank).

HB1955 Engrossed - 11 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 (k) (Blank).

2 (Source: P.A. 98-609, eff. 1-1-14.)

3 (215 ILCS 5/131.8) (from Ch. 73, par. 743.8)

4 Sec. 131.8. (1) After the statement required by Section 5 131.5 has been filed, the Director shall approve any merger, 6 consolidation or other acquisition of control referred to in 7 Section 131.4 unless the Director finds that:

8 (a) after the change of control, the domestic company 9 referred to in Section 131.4 would not be able to satisfy 10 the requirements for the issuance of a license to write 11 the line or lines of insurance for which it is presently 12 licensed;

(b) the effect of the merger, consolidation or other acquisition of control would be substantially to lessen competition in insurance in this State or tend to create a monopoly therein. In applying the competitive standard in this paragraph:

(i) the informational requirements of subsection
(3) (a) and the standards of subsection (4) (b) of
Section 131.12a shall apply,

(ii) the merger or other acquisition shall not be found substantially to lessen competition in insurance in this State or tend to create a monopoly therein if the Director finds that any of the situations meeting the criteria provided by subsection (4)(c) of Section HB1955 Engrossed - 12 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 131.12a exist, and 2 (iii) the Director may condition the approval of 3 the merger or other acquisition on the removal of the 4 basis of disapproval within a specified period of 5 time;

6 (c) the financial condition of any acquiring party is 7 such as might jeopardize the financial stability of the 8 domestic company or jeopardize the interests of its 9 policyholders;

10 (d) the plans or proposals which the acquiring party 11 has to liquidate the domestic company, sell its assets or 12 consolidate or merge it with any person, or to make any 13 other material change in its business or corporate 14 structure or management, are unfair and unreasonable to 15 policyholders of such company and not in the public 16 interest; or

(e) the competence, experience and integrity of those persons who would control the operation of the domestic company are such that it would <u>not</u> be in the best interests of policyholders of such company and of the insurance buying public to permit the merger, consolidation or other acquisition of control.

(2) The Director may hold a public hearing on any merger,
 consolidation or other acquisition of control referred to in
 Section 131.4 if the Director determines that the statement
 filed as required by Section 131.5 does not demonstrate

HB1955 Engrossed - 13 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 compliance with the standards referred to in subsection (1), 2 of this Section, or if he determines that such acquisition of 3 control is likely to be hazardous or prejudicial to the 4 insurance buying public.

5 (3) The public hearing referred to in subsection (2) must 6 be held within 60 days after the statement required by Section 7 131.5 is filed, and at least 20 days' notice thereof must be 8 given by the Director to the person filing the statement and to 9 the domestic company. Not less than 7 days' notice of such 10 hearing must be given by the person filing the statement to 11 such other persons as may be designated by the Director and by 12 the company to its shareholders. The Director must make a 13 determination within 60 days after the conclusion of the 14 hearing. At the hearing, the person filing the statement, the 15 domestic company, any person to whom notice of the hearing was 16 sent, and any other person whose interests may be affected 17 thereby has the right to present evidence, examine and cross-examine witnesses, and offer oral and written arguments 18 and in connection therewith is entitled to conduct discovery 19 20 proceedings in the same manner as is presently allowed in the 21 Circuit Courts of this State. All discovery proceedings must 22 be concluded not later than 3 days prior to the commencement of 23 the public hearing.

(4) If the proposed acquisition of control will require
the approval of more than one state insurance commissioner,
the public hearing referred to in subsection (2) of this

HB1955 Engrossed - 14 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

Section may be held on a consolidated basis upon request of the 1 2 person filing the statement referred to in Section 131.5 of 3 this Code. Such person shall file the statement referred to in Section 131.5 of this Code with the National Association of 4 5 Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) within 5 days after making the request for a public hearing. A commissioner may opt out of a 6 consolidated hearing and shall provide notice to the applicant 7 8 of the opt out within 10 days after the receipt of the 9 statement referred to in Section 131.5 of this Code. A hearing 10 conducted on a consolidated basis shall be public and shall be 11 held within the United States before the commissioners of the 12 states in which companies domiciled. the are Such 13 commissioners shall hear and receive evidence. A commissioner 14 may attend such hearing in person or by telecommunication.

(5) In connection with a change of control of a domestic company, any determination by the Director that the person acquiring control of the company shall be required to maintain or restore the capital of the company to the level required by the laws and regulations of this State shall be made not later than 60 days after the filing of the statement required by Section 131.5 of this Code.

22 (Source: P.A. 98-609, eff. 1-1-14.)

23

(215 ILCS 5/131.20d new)

24 <u>Sec. 131.20d. Group-wide supervision of internationally</u>
 25 <u>active insurance groups.</u>

HB1955 Engrossed - 15 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1	(a) The Director is authorized to act as the group-wide
2	supervisor for any internationally active insurance group in
3	accordance with the provisions of this Section.
4	(b) The Director may otherwise acknowledge another
5	regulatory official as the group-wide supervisor where the
6	internationally active insurance group:
7	(1) does not have substantial insurance operations in
8	the United States;
9	(2) has substantial insurance operations in the United
10	States, but not in this State; or
11	(3) has substantial insurance operations in the United
12	States and this State, but the Director has determined
13	pursuant to the factors set forth in subsections (d) and
14	(h) that the other regulatory official is the appropriate
15	group-wide supervisor.
16	(c) An insurance holding company system that does not
17	otherwise qualify as an internationally active insurance group
18	may request that the Director make a determination or
19	acknowledgment as to a group-wide supervisor pursuant to this
20	Section.
21	(d) In cooperation with other state, federal, and
22	international regulatory agencies, the Director will identify
23	a single group-wide supervisor for an internationally active
24	insurance group. The Director may determine that the Director
25	is the appropriate group-wide supervisor for an
26	internationally active insurance group that conducts

HB1955 Engrossed - 16 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1	substantial insurance operations concentrated in this State.
2	However, the Director may acknowledge that a regulatory
3	official from another jurisdiction is the appropriate
4	group-wide supervisor for the internationally active insurance
5	group. A regulatory official identified under this Section as
6	the group-wide supervisor may determine that it is appropriate
7	to acknowledge another supervisor to serve as the group-wide
8	supervisor. The acknowledgment of the group-wide supervisor
9	shall be made after consideration of the factors listed in
10	paragraphs (1) through (5) of this subsection, and shall be
11	made in cooperation with and subject to the acknowledgment of
12	other regulatory officials involved with supervision of
13	members of the internationally active insurance group, and in
14	consultation with the internationally active insurance group.
15	The Director shall consider the following factors when making
16	a determination or acknowledgment under this subsection:
17	(1) the place of domicile of the insurance companies
18	within the internationally active insurance group that
19	hold the largest share of the group's written premiums,
20	assets, or liabilities;
21	(2) the place of domicile of the top-tiered insurance
22	company or companies in the insurance holding company
23	system of the internationally active insurance group;
24	(3) the location of the executive offices or largest
25	operational offices of the internationally active
26	insurance group;

1	(4) whether another regulatory official is acting or
2	is seeking to act as the group-wide supervisor under a
3	regulatory system that the Director determines to be:
4	(A) substantially similar to the system of
5	regulation provided under the laws of this State; or
6	(B) otherwise sufficient in terms of providing for
7	group-wide supervision, enterprise risk analysis, and
8	cooperation with other regulatory officials; and
9	(5) whether another regulatory official acting or
10	seeking to act as the group-wide supervisor provides the
11	Director with reasonably reciprocal recognition and
12	cooperation.
13	(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when
14	another regulatory official is acting as the group-wide
15	supervisor of an internationally active insurance group, the
16	Director shall acknowledge that regulatory official as the
17	group-wide supervisor. However, in the event of a material
18	change in the internationally active insurance group that
19	results in:
20	(1) the internationally active insurance group's
21	insurance companies domiciled in this State holding the
22	largest share of the group's premiums, assets, or
23	liabilities; or
24	(2) this State being the place of domicile of the
25	top-tiered insurance company or companies in the insurance
26	holding company system of the internationally active

HB1955 Engrossed - 18 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 <u>insurance group, the Director shall make a determination</u>
2 <u>or acknowledgment as to the appropriate group-wide</u>
3 <u>supervisor for such an internationally active insurance</u>
4 <u>group pursuant to subsection (d).</u>

5 (f) The Director is authorized to collect from any company registered pursuant to Section 131.13 all information 6 necessary to determine whether the Director may act as the 7 group-wide supervisor of an internationally active insurance 8 9 group or if the Director may acknowledge another regulatory 10 official to act as the group-wide supervisor. Before issuing a 11 determination that an internationally active insurance group 12 is subject to group-wide supervision by the Director, the Director shall notify the company registered pursuant to 13 14 Section 131.13 and the ultimate controlling person within the internationally active insurance group. The internationally 15 16 active insurance group shall have not less than 30 days to 17 provide the Director with additional information pertinent to the pending determination. The Department shall publish on its 18 19 Internet website the identity of internationally active 20 insurance groups that the Director has determined are subject 21 to group-wide supervision by the Director.

(g) If the Director is the group-wide supervisor for an internationally active insurance group, the Director is authorized to engage in any of the following group-wide supervision activities:

26 <u>(1) assess the enterprise risks within the</u>

HB1955 Engrossed - 19 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

internationally active insurance group to ensure that: 1 2 (A) the material financial condition and liquidity 3 risks to the members of the internationally active insurance group that are engaged in the business of 4 5 insurance are identified by management; and 6 (B) reasonable and effective mitigation measures 7 are in place; (2) request, from any member of an internationally 8 active insurance group subject to the Director's 9 10 supervision, information necessary and appropriate to 11 assess enterprise risk, including, but not limited to, 12 information about the members of the internationally active insurance group regarding: 13 14 (A) governance, risk assessment, and management; 15 (B) capital adequacy; and 16 (C) material intercompany transactions; (3) coordinate and, through the authority of the 17 regulatory officials of the jurisdictions where members of 18 19 the internationally active insurance group are domiciled, 20 compel development and implementation of reasonable 21 measures designed to ensure that the internationally 22 active insurance group is able to timely recognize and 23 mitigate enterprise risks to members of such 24 internationally active insurance group that are engaged in the business of insurance; 25 26 (4) communicate with other state, federal, and

HB1955 Engrossed - 20 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

international regulatory agencies for members within the internationally active insurance group and share relevant information subject to the confidentiality provisions of Section 131.22, through supervisory colleges as set forth in Section 131.20c or otherwise;

6 (5) enter into agreements with or obtain documentation 7 from any company registered under Section 131.13, any 8 member of the internationally active insurance group, and 9 any other state, federal, and international regulatory agencies for members of the internationally active 10 11 insurance group, providing the basis for or otherwise 12 clarifying the Director's role as group-wide supervisor, including provisions for resolving disputes with other 13 14 regulatory officials. Such agreements or documentation 15 shall not serve as evidence in any proceeding that any 16 company or person within an insurance holding company system not domiciled or incorporated in this State is 17 doing business in this State or is otherwise subject to 18 19 jurisdiction in this State; and

20 (6) other group-wide supervision activities,
 21 consistent with the authorities and purposes enumerated
 22 above, as considered necessary by the Director.

23 (h) If the Director acknowledges that another regulatory 24 official from a jurisdiction that is not accredited by the 25 NAIC is the group-wide supervisor, the Director is authorized 26 to reasonably cooperate, through supervisory colleges or

otherwise, with group-wide supervision undertaken by the 1 2 group-wide supervisor, provided that: 3 (1) the Director's cooperation is in compliance with the laws of this State; and 4 5 (2) the regulatory official acknowledged as the group-wide supervisor also recognizes and cooperates with 6 the Director's activities as a group-wide supervisor for 7 other internationally active insurance groups where 8 9 applicable. Where such recognition and cooperation is not 10 reasonably reciprocal, the Director is authorized to 11 refuse recognition and cooperation. 12 (i) The Director is authorized to enter into agreements with or obtain documentation from any company registered under 13 14 Section 131.13, any affiliate of the company, and other state, federal, and international regulatory agencies for members of 15 16 the internationally active insurance group that provide the 17 basis for or otherwise clarify a regulatory official's role as 18 group-wide supervisor. 19 (j) The Department may adopt regulations necessary for the 20 administration of this Section. 21 (k) A registered company subject to this Section shall be 22 liable for and shall pay the reasonable expenses of the 23 Director's participation in the administration of this 24 Section, including the engagement of attorneys, actuaries, and 25 any other professionals and all reasonable travel expenses.

HB1955 Engrossed - 21 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

HB1955 Engrossed - 22 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1

(215 ILCS 5/131.22) (from Ch. 73, par. 743.22)

2

Sec. 131.22. Confidential treatment.

3 (a) Documents, materials, or other information in the possession or control of the Department that are obtained by 4 5 or disclosed to the Director or any other person in the course of an examination or investigation made pursuant to this 6 Article and all information reported or provided to the 7 8 Department pursuant to paragraphs (12) and (13) of Section 9 131.5 and Sections 131.13 through 131.21 this Article shall be 10 confidential by law and privileged, shall not be subject to 11 the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, shall not be subject 12 to subpoena, and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action. However, 13 14 the Director is authorized to use the documents, materials, or 15 other information in the furtherance of any regulatory or 16 legal action brought as a part of the Director's official 17 duties. The Director shall not otherwise make the documents, materials, or other information public without the prior 18 19 written consent of the company to which it pertains unless the 20 Director, after giving the company and its affiliates who would be affected thereby prior written notice and an 21 22 opportunity to be heard, determines that the interest of 23 policyholders, shareholders, or the public shall be served by the publication thereof, in which event the Director may 24 25 publish all or any part in such manner as may be deemed 26 appropriate.

HB1955 Engrossed - 23 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

(b) Neither the Director nor any person who received 1 2 documents, materials, or other information while acting under 3 the authority of the Director or with whom such documents, materials, or other information are shared pursuant to this 4 Article shall be permitted or required to testify in any 5 6 private civil action concerning any confidential documents, 7 materials, or information subject to subsection (a) of this 8 Section.

9 (c) In order to assist in the performance of the 10 Director's duties, the Director:

11 (1)may share documents, materials, or other 12 information, including the confidential and privileged documents, materials, or information subject to subsection 13 14 (a) of this Section, with other state, federal, and 15 international regulatory agencies, with the NAIC and its 16 affiliates and subsidiaries, and with third-party consultants, and with state, federal, and international 17 law enforcement authorities and regulatory agencies, 18 19 including members of any supervisory college allowed by this Article, provided that the recipient agrees in 20 writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged 21 22 status of the document, material, or other information, 23 has verified in writing the legal authority to and 24 maintain confidentiality;

(1.5) notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection
(c), may only share confidential and privileged documents,

HB1955 Engrossed - 24 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 material, or information reported pursuant to Section 2 131.14b with commissioners of states having statutes or 3 regulations substantially similar to subsection (a) of 4 this Section and who have agreed in writing not to 5 disclose such information; and

(2) may receive documents, materials, or information, 6 7 including otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials, or information from the NAIC and its affiliates 8 9 and subsidiaries and from regulatory and law enforcement 10 officials of other foreign or domestic jurisdictions, and 11 shall maintain as confidential or privileged any document, 12 material, or information received with notice or the understanding that it is confidential or privileged under 13 14 the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the 15 document, material, or information; any such documents, 16 materials, or information, while in the Director's 17 possession, shall not be subject to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act and shall not be subject to subpoena.+ 18 19 and

20 <u>(c-5) Written</u> (3) shall enter into written agreements with 21 the NAIC <u>or third-party consultants</u> governing sharing and use 22 of information provided pursuant to this Article consistent 23 with this subsection (c) that shall:

24 <u>(1)</u> <del>(i)</del> specify procedures and protocols regarding the 25 confidentiality and security of information shared with 26 the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries <u>or</u> HB1955 Engrossed - 25 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

1 2

3

third-party consultants pursuant to this Article, including procedures and protocols for sharing by the NAIC with other state, federal, or international regulators;

(2) (ii) specify that ownership of information shared 4 with the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or 5 third-party consultants pursuant to this Article remains 6 7 with the Director and the NAIC's or third-party consultant's use of the information is subject to the 8 9 direction of the Director:

10 <u>(3)</u> (iii) require prompt notice to be given to a 11 company whose confidential information in the possession 12 of the NAIC <u>or third-party consultant</u> pursuant to this 13 Article is subject to a request or subpoena <del>to the NAIC</del> for 14 disclosure or production; and

15 (4) (iv) require the NAIC and its affiliates and 16 subsidiaries or third-party consultants to consent to 17 intervention by a company in any judicial or administrative action in which the NAIC and its affiliates 18 19 and subsidiaries or third-party consultants may be 20 required to disclose confidential information about the 21 company shared with the NAIC and its affiliates and 22 subsidiaries or third-party consultants pursuant to this 23 Article.

(d) The sharing of documents, materials, or information by
the Director pursuant to this Article shall not constitute a
delegation of regulatory authority or rulemaking, and the

HB1955 Engrossed - 26 - LRB102 13242 BMS 18586 b

Director is solely responsible for the administration,
 execution, and enforcement of the provisions of this Article.

3 (e) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of 4 confidentiality in the documents, materials, or information 5 shall occur as a result of disclosure to the Director under 6 this Section or as a result of sharing as authorized in 7 subsection (c) of this Section.

8 (f) Documents, materials, or other information in the 9 possession or control of the NAIC <u>or a third-party consultant</u> 10 pursuant to this Article shall be confidential by law and 11 privileged, shall not be subject to the Illinois Freedom of 12 Information Act, shall not be subject to subpoena, and shall 13 not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any 14 private civil action.

15 (Source: P.A. 98-609, eff. 1-1-14.)

- 16 (215 ILCS 5/131.9a rep.)
- 17 (215 ILCS 5/131.14d rep.)

Section 10. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by repealing Sections 131.9a and 131.14d.

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 21 becoming law.