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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/Art. XLVI heading new 215 ILCS 5/1700 new 215 ILCS 5/1705 new 215 ILCS 5/1710 new 215 ILCS 5/1715 new 215 ILCS 5/1720 new 215 ILCS 5/1725 new

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code to create the Diversity Reporting Article within the Code. Sets forth legislative findings and definitions. Provides that all companies that collect premiums greater than \$1,000,000 shall submit a report to the Director of Insurance concerning its procurement efforts regarding enterprises owned by minorities, women, qualified service-disabled veterans, and persons with disabilities. Provides that an entity that does not enter into contracts to procure goods or services in this State satisfies the reporting requirements by filing a statement with the Director attesting that it does not enter into procurement contracts in Illinois. Sets forth provisions concerning filing, penalties, and reporting updates and public availability.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

- 4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by adding 5 Art. XLVI as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/Art. XLVI heading new)
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- ARTICLE XLVI. DIVERSITY REPORTING
- 8 (215 ILCS 5/1700 new)

9 Sec. 1700. Legislative findings. The General Assembly finds that enterprises owned by minorities, women, qualified 10 11 service-disabled veterans, and persons with disabilities are under-utilized in the sale of goods and services used in the 12 13 insurance industry, and accordingly deems it a prudent business practice and in the interests of the people of the State of 14 Illinois to develop and promote economic opportunities for 15 16 enterprises owned by minorities, women, qualified 17 service-disabled veterans, and persons with disabilities in 18 the insurance industry whenever possible.

19 The General Assembly further declares that it is the public 20 policy of this State to promote and encourage the continuous 21 economic development of businesses owned by minorities, women, qualified service-disabled veterans, and persons 22 with

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1	disabilities by providing that each major insurer submit to the
2	Director of Insurance a report explaining the reporting
3	entity's supplier diversity statement and expressing its goals
4	regarding enterprises. The Director shall publish the reports
5	on the Department of Insurance's Internet website, so that
6	those reports will help facilitate these supplier
7	relationships.

8 (215 ILCS 5/1705 new)

9 <u>Sec. 1705. Definitions. In this Article:</u>

10 "Department" means the Department of Insurance.

11 "Director" means the Director of Insurance.

12 "Enterprise" means a minority owned business, a business owned by a person with a disability, or a female owned 13 business, as those terms are defined in the Business Enterprise 14 for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act, or 15 16 a business owned by a qualified service-disabled veteran that 17 has been certified by the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Central Management Services pursuant to 18 Section 45-57 of the Illinois Procurement Code. 19

20 <u>"Reporting entity" means all companies licensed by the</u>
21 Department of Insurance.

22 (215 ILCS 5/1710 new)

23 <u>Sec. 1710. Applicability. All companies that collect</u> 24 premiums greater than \$1,000,000 shall submit a report to the

1	Director concerning its procurement efforts regarding
2	enterprises owned by minorities, women, qualified
3	service-disabled veterans, and persons with disabilities
4	during the reporting period set forth in Sections 1720 and 1725
5	<u>of this Code.</u>
6	(215 ILCS 5/1715 new)
7	Sec. 1715. Filing.
8	(a) Each reporting entity shall file a report in accordance
9	with this Article concerning its procurement involving
10	enterprises owned by minorities, women, qualified
11	service-disabled veterans, and persons with disabilities.
12	(b) The contents of the report shall include, but not be
13	limited to, all of the following:
14	(1) The reporting entity's supplier diversity policy
15	statement.
16	(2) The reporting entity's outreach and communications
17	to enterprises, including the following:
18	(A) The means by which the reporting entity
19	encourages and seeks out enterprises to become
20	potential suppliers.
21	(B) The means by which the reporting entity
22	encourages its employees involved in procurement to
23	seek enterprises to become potential suppliers.
24	(C) The means by which the reporting entity
25	conducts outreach and communication to enterprises.

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1	(D) The means by which the reporting entity
2	supports organizations that promote or certify
3	enterprises.
4	(E) Information regarding appropriate contacts at
5	the reporting entity for interested enterprises.
6	(3) Information about which procurements are made from
7	enterprises with at least a majority of the enterprise's
8	workforce in Illinois, with each category aggregated
9	separately, to the extent that information is readily
10	accessible.
11	A reporting entity may include other relevant information
12	in the report.
13	(c) A reporting entity that does not enter into contracts
14	to procure goods or services in this State satisfies the
15	requirements of this Section by filing a statement with the
16	Director attesting that it does not enter into procurement
17	contracts in Illinois.
18	(d) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require
19	quotas, set-asides, or preferences in a reporting entity's
20	procurement of goods or services, nor does this Section apply
21	to insurer producer or licensee contracts. Reporting entities
22	retain the authority to use business judgment to select the
23	supplier for a particular contract.
24	(e) Nothing in this Section shall preclude a reporting
25	entity that is a member of an insurance holding company system,
26	as defined in Section 131.1 of this Code, from complying with

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1 <u>this Section through a single filing on behalf of the entire</u> 2 <u>group of affiliated companies.</u>

3 (215 ILCS 5/1720 new) 4 Sec. 1720. Penalties. Failure to file the report required 5 by Section 1715 of this Code by July 1, 2015 may subject the 6 reporting entity to a civil penalty to be determined by the Director, not to exceed \$5,000, or, if the act or practice was 7 8 willful, a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000. A reporting 9 entity may request, and the Director may grant, a 30-day 10 extension to file the report if needed due to unintended or 11 unforeseen delays. The Director may adopt rules as may be 12 necessary or appropriate for the administration and 13 enforcement of this Article.

14 (215 ILCS 5/1725 new)

15 <u>Sec. 1725. Updates and public availability.</u>
16 (a) Not later than July 1, 2017, each reporting entity

17 <u>shall update its report and submit the new report to the</u> 18 Director once every 2 years.

19 (b) By July 31, 2015, the Director shall establish and 20 maintain a link on the Department's Internet website that 21 provides public access to the contents of each reporting 22 entities' report on enterprise procurement efforts. The 23 Director shall include a statement on the Department's Internet 24 website indicating that the information contained in the

- 1 reporting entities' report on enterprise procurement efforts
- 2 is provided for informational purposes only.