

agency must establish ~~grant~~ criteria for a residential lead paint and lead contaminated soil abatement program, including the terms of loans and grants under this section, a maximum amount for loans or grants, eligible ~~owners~~ borrowers or grantees, eligible contractors, and eligible buildings. The agency may make grants to cities, local units of government, registered lead abatement contractors, and nonprofit organizations for the purpose of administering a residential lead paint and contaminated lead soil abatement program. ~~No loan or grant may be made for lead paint abatement for a multifamily building which contains substantial housing maintenance code violations unless the violations are being corrected in conjunction with receipt of the loan or grant under this section.~~ The agency must establish standards for the relocation of families where necessary and the payment of relocation expenses. To the extent possible, the agency must coordinate loans and grants under this section with existing housing programs.

The agency, in consultation with the department of health, shall report to the legislature by January ~~1993~~ 1996 on the costs and benefits of subsidized lead abatement and the extent of the childhood lead exposure problem. The agency shall review the effectiveness of its existing loan and grant programs in providing funds for residential lead abatement and report to the legislature with examples, case studies and recommendations.

(b) The agency may also make grants to eligible organizations, as defined in section 268.92, subdivision 1, for the purposes of section 268.92.

Sec. 12. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 115C.082, subdivision 2, is repealed.

Presented to the governor May 22, 1995

Signed by the governor May 25, 1995, 8:42 a.m.

CHAPTER 214—S.F.No. 1033

An act relating to insurance; solvency; regulating disclosures, reinsurance, capital stock, managing general agents, and contracts issued on a variable basis; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 13.71, by adding a subdivision; 60A.03, subdivision 9; 60A.07, subdivision 10; 60A.093, subdivision 2; 60A.11, subdivisions 18 and 20; 60A.705, subdivision 8; 60A.75; 60H.02, subdivision 4; 60H.08; 61A.19; 61A.31, subdivision 3; and 67A.231; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 60A.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 13.71, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 19. MATERIAL TRANSACTION REPORTS. Reports required to be filed by insurers regarding certain material transactions are classified under section 60A.135, subdivision 4.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.03, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION.** The commissioner may not be required to divulge any information obtained in the course of the supervision of insurance companies, or the examination of insurance companies, including examination related correspondence and workpapers, until the examination report is finally accepted and issued by the commissioner, and then only in the form of the final public report of examinations. Nothing contained in this subdivision prevents or shall be construed as prohibiting the commissioner from disclosing the content of this information to the insurance department of another state or the National Association of Insurance Commissioners if the recipient of the information agrees in writing to hold it as nonpublic data as defined in section 13.02, in a manner consistent with this subdivision. This subdivision does not apply to the extent the commissioner is required or permitted by law, or ordered by a court of law to testify or produce evidence in a civil or criminal proceeding. For purposes of this subdivision, a subpoena is not an order of a court of law.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.07, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS TO LIFE COMPANIES.** (1) **PREREQUISITES OF LIFE COMPANIES.** No mutual life company shall be qualified to issue any policy until applications for at least \$200,000 of insurance, upon lives of at least 200 separate residents, have been actually and in good faith made, accepted, and entered upon its books and at least one full annual premium thereunder, based upon the authorized table of mortality, received in cash or in absolutely payable and collectible notes. A duplicate receipt for each premium, conditioned for the return thereof unless the policy be issued within one year thereafter, shall be issued, and one copy delivered to the applicant and the other filed with the commissioner, together with the certificate of a solvent authorized bank in the state, of the deposit therein of such cash and notes, aggregating the amount aforesaid, specifying the maker, payee, date, maturity, and amount of each. Such cash and notes shall be held by it not longer than one year, and at or before the expiration thereof to be by it paid or delivered, upon the written order of the commissioner, to such company or applicants, respectively.

(2) **FOREIGN COMPANIES MAY BECOME DOMESTIC.** Any company organized under the laws of any other state or country, which might have been originally incorporated under the laws of this state, and which has been admitted to do business therein for either or both the purpose of life or accident insurance, upon complying with all the requirements of law relative to the execution, filing, recording and publishing of original certificates and payment of incorporation fees by like domestic corporations, therein designating its principal place of business at a place in this state, may become a domestic corporation, and be entitled to like certificates of its corporate existence and license to transact busi-

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ness in this state, and be subject in all respects to the authority and jurisdiction thereof.

(3) TEMPORARY CAPITAL STOCK OF MUTUAL LIFE COMPANIES.

A new mutual life insurance company which has complied with the provisions of clause (1) or an existing mutual life insurance company may establish, a temporary capital of, such amount not less than \$100,000, as may be approved by the commissioner. Such temporary capital shall be invested by the company in the same manner as is provided for the investment of its other funds. Out of the net surplus of the company the holders of the temporary capital stock may receive a dividend of ~~not more than eight percent per annum~~, which may be cumulative. This capital stock shall not be a liability of the company but shall be retired within a reasonable time and according to terms approved by the commissioner. At the time for the retirement of this capital stock, the holders shall be entitled to receive from the company the par value thereof and any dividends thereon due and unpaid, and thereupon the stock shall be surrendered and canceled. In the event of the liquidation of the company, the holders of temporary capital stock shall have the same preference in the assets of the company as shareholders have in a stock insurance company. Dividends on this stock are subject to section 60D.20, subdivision 2.

Temporary capital stock may be issued with or without voting rights. If issued with voting rights, the holders shall, at all meetings, be entitled to one vote for each \$10 of temporary capital stock held.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.093, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **LETTERS OF CREDIT CONTINUED ACCEPTANCE.** Letters of credit meeting applicable standards of issuer acceptability as of the dates of their issuance or confirmation must, ~~notwithstanding the issuing or confirming institution's subsequent failure to meet applicable standards of issuer acceptability,~~ continue to be acceptable as security until their expiration, extension, renewal, modification, or amendment, whichever comes first; ~~unless the issuing or confirming institution fails the following standards:~~

(1) ~~fails to maintain a minimum ratio of three percent tier I capital to total risk adjusted assets, leverage ratio, as required by the Federal Reserve System as disclosed by the bank in any call report required by state or federal regulatory authority and available to the ceding insurer; or~~

(2) ~~has its long-term deposit rating or long-term debt rating lowered to a rating below Aa2 as found in the current monthly publication of Moody's credit opinions or its equivalent.~~

The letter of credit of an institution failing the standards of subdivision 1, clause (1) ~~or this clause (3)~~ continues to be acceptable for no more than 30 days.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.11, subdivision 18, is amended to read:

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Subd. 18. **STOCKS AND LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS.** (a) Stocks issued or guaranteed by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state, commonwealth, or territory of the United States, including the District of Columbia, or the laws of the Dominion of Canada or any province or territory of Canada, or stocks or stock equivalents, including American Depository Receipts or unit investment trusts, listed or regularly traded on a national securities exchange on the following conditions:

(1) A company may not invest more than a total of 25 percent of its total admitted assets in stocks, stock equivalents, and convertible issues. Not more than ten percent of a company's total admitted assets may be invested in stocks, stock equivalents, and convertible issues not traded or listed on a national securities exchange or designated or approved for designation upon notice of issuance on the NASDAQ/National Market System. This limitation does not apply to investments under clause (4);

(2) A company may not invest in more than two percent of its total admitted assets in preferred stocks of any corporation which are traded on a national securities exchange and may also invest in other preferred stocks if the issuer has qualified net earnings and if current or cumulative dividends are not then in arrears;

(3) A company may not invest in more than two percent of its total admitted assets in common stocks, common stock equivalents, or securities convertible into common stock or common stock equivalents of any corporation or business trust which are traded on a national securities exchange or designated or approved for designation upon notice of issuance on the NASDAQ/National Market System, and may also invest in other common stocks, stock equivalents, and convertible issues subject to the limitations specified in clause (1);

(4) A company may organize or acquire and hold voting control of a corporation or business trust through its ownership of common stock, common stock equivalents, or other securities, provided the corporation or business trust is: (a) a corporation providing investment advisory, banking, management or sale services to an investment company or to an insurance company, (b) a data processing or computer service company, (c) a mortgage loan corporation engaged in the business of making, originating, purchasing or otherwise acquiring or investing in, and servicing or selling or otherwise disposing of loans secured by mortgages on real property, (d) a corporation if its business is owning and managing or leasing personal property, (e) a corporation providing securities underwriting services or acting as a securities broker or dealer, (f) a real property holding, developing, managing, brokerage or leasing corporation, (g) any domestic or foreign insurance company, (h) any alien insurance company, if the organization or acquisition and the holding of the company is subject to the prior approval of the commissioner of commerce, which approval must be given upon good cause shown and is deemed to have been given if the commissioner does not disapprove of the organization or acquisition within 30 days after notification by the company, (i) an investment subsidiary to acquire and hold investments which

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the company could acquire and hold directly, if the investments of the subsidiary are considered direct investments for purposes of this chapter and are subject to the same percentage limitations, requirements and restrictions as are contained herein, or (j) any corporation whose business has been approved by the commissioner as complementary or supplementary to the business of the company. A company may invest up to an aggregate of ten percent of its total admitted assets under subclauses (a) to (e) of this clause. The diversification requirement of subdivision 12, paragraph (b), does not apply to this clause;

(5) A company may invest in warrants and rights granted by an issuer to purchase securities of the issuer if that security of the issuer, at the time of the acquisition of the warrant or right to purchase, would qualify as an investment under paragraph (a), clause (2) or (3), whichever is applicable, provided that security meets the standards prescribed in the clause at the time of acquisition of the securities; and

(6)(i) A company may invest in the securities of any face amount certificate company, unit investment trust, or management type investment company, registered or in the process of registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as from time to time amended, provided that the aggregate of all these investments other than in securities of money market mutual funds or mutual funds investing primarily in United States government securities, determined at cost, shall not exceed five percent of its total admitted assets; investments may be made under this clause without regard to the percentage limitations applicable to investments in voting securities.

(ii) A company may invest in any proportion of the shares or investment units of an investment company or investment trust, whether or not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, which is managed by an insurance company, member bank, trust company regulated by state or federal authority or an investment manager or adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 or qualified to manage the investments of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, provided that the investments of the investment company or investment trust are qualified investments made under this section and that the articles of incorporation, bylaws, trust agreement, investment management agreement, or some other governing instrument limits its investments to investments qualified under this section.

(b) A company may invest in or otherwise acquire and hold a limited partnership interest in any limited partnership formed under the laws of any state, commonwealth, or territory of the United States or under the laws of the United States of America. A company may invest in or otherwise acquire and hold a member interest in any limited liability company formed under the laws of any state, commonwealth, or territory of the United States or under the laws of the United States. No limited partnership or limited liability company member interest shall be acquired if the investment, valued at cost, exceeds two percent of the admitted assets of the company or if the investment, plus the book value on the date of the investment of all limited partnership and limited liability

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company interests then held by the company and held under the authority of this subdivision, exceeds ten percent of the company's admitted assets. Limited partnership and limited liability company interests traded on a national securities exchange must be classified as stock equivalents and are not subject to the percentage limitations contained in this paragraph.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.11, subdivision 20, is amended to read:

Subd. 20. **REAL ESTATE.** (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) to (d), a company may only acquire, hold, and convey real estate which:

(1) has been mortgaged to it in good faith by way of security for loans previously contracted, or for money due;

(2) has been conveyed to it in satisfaction of debts previously contracted in the course of its dealings;

(3) has been purchased at sales on judgments, decrees or mortgages obtained or made for the debts; and

(4) is subject to a contract for deed under which the company holds the vendor's interest to secure the payments the vendee is required to make thereunder.

All the real estate specified in clauses (1) to (3) must be sold and disposed of within five years after the company has acquired title to it, or within five years after it has ceased to be necessary for the accommodation of the company's business, and the company must not hold this property for a longer period unless the company elects to hold the real estate under another section, or unless it procures a certificate from the commissioner of commerce that its interest will suffer materially by the forced sale thereof, in which event the time for the sale may be extended to the time the commissioner directs in the certificate. The market value of real estate specified in clauses (1) to (3) must be established by the written certification of a licensed real estate appraiser. The appraisal is required at the time the company elects to hold the real estate under clauses (1) to (3).

(b) A company may acquire and hold real estate for the convenient accommodation of its business.

(c) A company may acquire real estate or any interest in real estate, including oil and gas and other mineral interests, as an investment for the production of income, and may hold, improve or otherwise develop, subdivide, lease, sell and convey real estate so acquired directly or as a joint venture or through a limited, limited liability, or general partnership in which the company is a partner or through a limited liability company in which the company is a member.

(d) A company may also hold real estate (1) if the purpose of the acquisition is to enhance the sale value of real estate previously acquired and held by the company under this section, and (2) if the company expects the real estate so acquired to qualify under paragraph (b) or (c) above within five years after acquisition.

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(e) A company may, after securing the approval of the commissioner, acquire and hold real estate for the purpose of providing necessary living quarters for its employees. The company must dispose of the real estate within five years after it has ceased to be necessary for that purpose unless the commissioner agrees to extend the holding period upon application by the company.

(f) A company may not invest more than 25 percent of its total admitted assets in real estate. The cost of any parcel of real estate held for both the accommodation of business and for the production of income must be allocated between the two uses annually. No more than ten percent of a company's total admitted assets may be invested in real estate held under paragraph (b). No more than 15 percent of a company's total admitted assets may be invested in real estate held under paragraph (c). No more than three percent of its total admitted assets may be invested in real estate held under paragraph (e). Upon application by a company, the commissioner of commerce may increase any of these limits up to an additional five percent.

Sec. 7. [60A.135] REPORT.

Subdivision 1. REQUIREMENT. Every insurer domiciled in this state shall file a report with the commissioner disclosing material acquisitions and dispositions of assets or material nonrenewals, cancellations, or revisions of ceded reinsurance agreements unless the acquisitions and dispositions of assets or material nonrenewals, cancellations, or revisions of ceded reinsurance agreements have been submitted to the commissioner for review, approval, or information purposes pursuant to other provisions of law, rule, or other requirements.

Subd. 2. DATE DUE. The report required in subdivision 1 is due within 15 days after the end of the calendar month in which the transactions occur.

Subd. 3. FILING. One complete copy of the report, including exhibits or other attachments filed as part of it, must be filed with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Subd. 4. CONFIDENTIALITY. Reports filed with the commissioner pursuant to sections 60A.135 to 60A.137 must be held as nonpublic data as defined in section 13.02, are not subject to subpoena, and may not be made public by the commissioner, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, or other person, except to insurance departments of other states, without the prior written consent of the insurer to which it pertains. However, the commissioner may publish all or part of a report in the manner the commissioner considers appropriate if, after giving the affected insurer notice and an opportunity to be heard, the commissioner determines that the interest of policyholders, shareholders, or the public will be served by the publication.

Sec. 8. [60A.136] ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS OF ASSETS.

Subdivision 1. MATERIALITY. No acquisitions or dispositions of assets need be reported pursuant to section 60A.135 if the acquisitions or dispositions

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are not material. For purposes of sections 60A.135 to 60A.137, a material acquisition (or the aggregate of any series of related acquisitions during any 30-day period) or disposition (or the aggregate of any series of related dispositions during any 30-day period) is one that is nonrecurring and not in the ordinary course of business and involves more than five percent of the reporting insurer's total admitted assets as reported in its most recent statutory statement filed with the commissioner of commerce.

Subd. 2. SCOPE. (a) Asset acquisitions subject to sections 60A.135 to 60A.137 include every purchase, lease, exchange, merger, consolidation, succession, or other acquisition other than the construction or development of real property by or for the reporting insurer or the acquisition of materials for this purpose.

(b) Asset dispositions subject to sections 60A.135 to 60A.137 include every sale, lease, exchange, merger, consolidation, mortgage, hypothecation, assignment (whether for the benefit of creditors or otherwise), abandonment, destruction, or other disposition.

Subd. 3. INFORMATION TO BE REPORTED. (a) The following information is required to be disclosed in a report of a material acquisition or disposition of assets:

(1) date of the transaction;

(2) manner of acquisition or disposition;

(3) description of the assets involved;

(4) nature and amount of the consideration given or received;

(5) purpose of, or reason for, the transaction;

(6) manner by which the amount of consideration was determined;

(7) gain or loss recognized or realized by the insurer as a result of the transaction; and

(8) name of each person from whom the assets were acquired or to whom they were disposed.

(b) Insurers are required to report material acquisitions and dispositions on a nonconsolidated basis unless the insurer is part of a consolidated group of insurers that uses a pooling arrangement or 100 percent reinsurance agreement that affects the solvency and integrity of the insurer's reserves and the insurer ceded substantially all of its direct and assumed business to the pool. An insurer is considered to have ceded substantially all of its direct and assumed business to a pool if the insurer has less than \$1,000,000 total direct plus assumed written premiums during a calendar year that are not subject to a pooling arrangement and the net income of the business not subject to the pooling arrangement represents less than five percent of the insurer's capital and surplus.

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Sec. 9. [60A.137] NONRENEWALS, CANCELLATIONS, OR REVISIONS OF CEDED REINSURANCE AGREEMENTS.

Subdivision 1. MATERIALITY. (a) No nonrenewals, cancellations, or revisions of ceded reinsurance agreements need be reported pursuant to section 60A.135 if the nonrenewals, cancellations, or revisions are not material. For purposes of sections 60A.135 to 60A.137, a material nonrenewal, cancellation, or revision for:

(1) property and casualty business, including accident and health business when written by a property and casualty insurer is one that affects:

(i) more than 50 percent of an insurer's ceded written premium; or

(ii) more than 50 percent of the insurer's total ceded indemnity and loss adjustment reserves; and

(2) life, annuity, and accident and health business, is one that affects more than 50 percent of the total reserve credit taken for business ceded, on an annualized basis as indicated in the insurer's most recently filed statutory statement.

(b) With respect to either property and casualty or life, annuity, and accident and health business, either of the following events constitute a material revision that must be reported under section 60A.135:

(1) an authorized reinsurer representing more than ten percent of a total cession is replaced by one or more unauthorized reinsurers; or

(2) previously established collateral requirements have been reduced or waived for one or more unauthorized reinsurers representing collectively more than ten percent of a total cession.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), no filing is required:

(1) for property and casualty business, including accident and health business written by a property and casualty insurer if the insurer's total ceded written premium represents, on an annualized basis, less than ten percent of its total written premium for direct and assumed business; or

(2) for life, annuity, and accident and health business if the total reserve credit taken for business ceded represents, on an annualized basis, less than ten percent of the statutory reserve requirement before any cession.

Subd. 2. INFORMATION TO BE REPORTED. (a) The following information is required to be disclosed in a report of a material nonrenewal, cancellation, or revision of ceded reinsurance agreements:

(1) effective date of the nonrenewal, cancellation, or revision;

(2) the description of the transaction with an identification of the initiating entity;

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(3) purpose of, or reason for, the transaction; and

(4) if applicable, the identity of the replacement reinsurers.

(b) Insurers are required to report all material nonrenewals, cancellations, or revisions of ceded reinsurance agreements on a nonconsolidated basis unless the insurer is part of a consolidated group of insurers that utilizes a pooling arrangement or 100 percent reinsurance agreement that affects the solvency and integrity of the insurer's reserves and the insurer ceded substantially all of its direct and assumed business to the pool. An insurer is considered to have ceded substantially all of its direct and assumed business to a pool if the insurer has less than \$1,000,000 total direct plus assumed written premiums during a calendar year that are not subject to a pooling arrangement and the net income of the business not subject to the pooling arrangement represents less than five percent of the insurer's capital and surplus.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.705, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **REINSURANCE INTERMEDIARY-MANAGER.** "Reinsurance intermediary-manager" or "RM" means any person, firm, association, or corporation who has authority to bind or manages all or part of the assumed reinsurance business of a reinsurer, including the management of a separate division, department, or underwriting office, and acts as an agent for that reinsurer whether known as an RM, manager, or other similar term. However, the following persons are not considered an RM, with respect to that reinsurer, for the purposes of sections 60A.70 to 60A.756:

(1) an employee of the reinsurer;

(2) a United States manager of the United States branch of an alien reinsurer;

(3) an underwriting manager which, pursuant to contract, manages all or part of the reinsurance operations of the reinsurer, is under common control with the reinsurer, subject to the holding company act, and whose compensation is not based on the volume of premiums written; or

(4) the manager of a group, association, pool, or organization of insurers which engage in joint underwriting or joint reinsurance and who are subject to examination by the insurance commissioner of the state in which the manager's principal business office is located.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60A.75, is amended to read:

60A.75 VIOLATIONS.

Subdivision 1. **ADMINISTRATIVE AND CIVIL PENALTIES AND LIABILITIES.** A reinsurance intermediary, insurer, or reinsurer found by the commissioner, after a hearing conducted in accordance with chapter 14, to be in violation of any provision of sections 60A.70 to 60A.756, shall:

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(1) for each separate violation, pay a penalty in an amount not exceeding \$5,000; and

(2) be subject to revocation or suspension of its license.

Subd. 2. **CIVIL REMEDIES.** (a) If it was found that because of the violation the insurer or reinsurer has suffered loss or damage, the commissioner may maintain a civil action for recovery of compensatory damages for the benefit of the reinsurer or insurer and its policyholders and creditors or seek other appropriate relief.

(b) If an order of rehabilitation or liquidation of the insurer has been entered pursuant to chapter 60B, and the receiver appointed under that order determines that the reinsurance intermediary or any other person has violated sections 60A.70 to 60A.756, or any rule or order adopted under those sections, and the insurer suffered any loss or damage, the receiver may maintain a civil action for recovery of damages or other appropriate sanctions for the benefit of the insurer.

Subd. 3. **JUDICIAL REVIEW.** The decision, determination, or order of the commissioner pursuant to subdivision 1 is subject to judicial review pursuant to chapter 14.

Subd. 4. **OTHER PENALTIES.** Nothing contained in this section affects the right of the commissioner to impose any other penalties provided in the insurance laws.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60H.02, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **MANAGING GENERAL AGENT.** (a) "Managing general agent" means a person, firm, association or corporation who: (1) ~~negotiates and binds~~ negotiates and binds ~~reinsurance contracts on behalf of an insurer, or~~ (2) manages all or part of the insurance business of an insurer, including the management of a separate division, department, or underwriting office, and (2) acts as an agent for the insurer whether known as a managing general agent, manager, or other similar term, who, with or without the authority, either separately or together with affiliates, produces, directly or indirectly, and underwrites an amount of gross direct written premium equal to or more than five percent of the policyholder surplus as reported in the last annual statement of the insurer in any one quarter or year, together with one or more of the following activities related to the business produced: (i) adjusts or pays claims in excess of an amount determined by the commissioner, or (ii) negotiates reinsurance on behalf of the insurer.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the following persons shall not be considered as managing general agents for the purposes of this chapter:

(1) an employee of the insurer;

(2) a United States manager of the United States branch of an alien insurer;

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(3) an underwriting manager who, pursuant to contract, manages all or a part of the insurance or reinsurance operation of the insurer, is under common control with the insurer, subject to the Insurance Holding Company Act, chapter 60D, and whose compensation is not based on the volume of premiums written; or

(4) an attorney in fact authorized by and acting for the subscribers of a reciprocal insurer or interinsurance exchange under powers of attorney.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 60H.08, is amended to read:

60H.08 PENALTIES AND LIABILITIES.

Subdivision 1. **COMMISSIONER'S AUTHORITY.** If the commissioner finds pursuant to the procedural requirements of section 45.027 that a person has violated a provision of this chapter, the commissioner may take any action authorized under that section.

Subd. 2. **ADDITIONAL PENALTY.** In addition to authority granted by section 45.027 for each separate violation, the commissioner may impose a penalty of up to \$10,000 for each day the violation continues and order the managing general agent to reimburse the insurer, rehabilitator, or liquidator of the insurer for any losses incurred by the insurer caused by a violation of this chapter committed by the managing general agent.

Subd. 3. **CIVIL REMEDIES.** (a) If the commissioner finds that because of the violation that the insurer has suffered loss or damage, the commissioner may maintain a civil action for recovery of compensatory damages for the benefit of the insurer and its policyholders and creditors or other appropriate relief.

(b) If an order of rehabilitation or liquidation of the insurer has been entered pursuant to chapter 60B, and the receiver appointed under that order determines that the managing general agent or any other person has violated this chapter, or any rule or order adopted under this chapter, and the insurer suffered loss or damage, the receiver may maintain a civil action for recovery of damages or other appropriate sanctions for the benefit of the insurer.

Subd. 4. **JUDICIAL REVIEW.** The decision, determination, or order of the commissioner under subdivision 1 is subject to judicial review as provided under chapter 14.

Subd. 4. **5. IMPOSITION OF OTHER PENALTIES.** Nothing contained in this section shall affect the right of the commissioner to impose any other penalties provided for by law.

Subd. 5. **6. POLICYHOLDER RIGHTS.** Nothing contained in this chapter is intended to or shall in any manner limit or restrict the rights of policyholders, claimants, and auditors.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 61A.19, is amended to read:

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61A.19 COMPANY REQUIREMENTS.

No company shall deliver or issue for delivery within this state contracts on a variable basis unless it is licensed or organized to do a life insurance or annuity business in this state, and the commissioner is satisfied that its condition or method of operation in connection with the issuance of such contracts will not render its operation hazardous to the public or its policyholders in this state. In this connection, the commissioner shall consider among other things:

(a) The history and financial condition of the company;

(b) The character, responsibility and fitness of the officers and directors of the company; and

(c) The law and regulation under which the company is authorized in the state of domicile to issue such contracts. The state of entry of an alien company shall be deemed to be state of domicile for this purpose.

~~A licensed company which issues contracts on a variable basis and which is a subsidiary of, or affiliated through common management or ownership with, another life insurance company authorized to do business in this state may be deemed to have met the provisions of this section if either it or the parent or affiliated company satisfies the aforementioned provisions.~~

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 61A.31, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.** Any domestic life insurance company may:

(a) acquire real property or any interest in real property, including oil and gas and other mineral interests, in the United States or any state thereof, or in the Dominion of Canada or any province thereof, as an investment for the production of income, and hold, improve or otherwise develop, and lease, sell, and convey the same either directly or as a joint venturer or through a limited, limited liability, or general partnership in which the company is a partner or through a limited liability company in which the company is a member. A company may not invest in any real property asset other than property held for the convenience and accommodation of its business if the investment causes: (1) the company's aggregate investments in the real property assets to exceed ten percent of its admitted assets; or (2) the company's investment in any single parcel of real property to exceed one-half of one percent of its admitted assets;

(b) acquire personal property in the United States or any state thereof, or in the Dominion of Canada or any province thereof, under lease or leases or commitment for lease or leases if: (1) either the fair value of the property exceeds the company's investment in it or the lessee, or at least one of the lessees, or a guarantor, or at least one of the guarantors, of the lease is a corporation with a net worth of \$1,000,000 or more; and (2) the lease provides for rent sufficient to

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amortize the investment with interest over the primary term of the lease or the useful life of the property, whichever is less. A company may not invest in the personal property if the investment causes the company's aggregate investments in the personal property to exceed three percent of its admitted assets;

(c) acquire and hold real estate (1) if the purpose of the acquisition is to enhance the sale value of real estate previously acquired and held by the company under this section and (2) if the company expects the real estate so acquired to qualify and be held by the company under paragraph (a) within five years after acquisition; and

(d) not acquire real property under paragraphs (a) to (c) if the property is to be used primarily for agricultural, horticultural, ranch, mining, or church purposes.

All real property acquired or held under this subdivision must be carried at a value equal to the lesser of (1) cost plus the cost of capitalized improvements, less normal depreciation, or (2) market value.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 67A.231, is amended to read:

67A.231 DEPOSIT OF FUNDS; INVESTMENT; LIMITATIONS.

The directors of any township mutual insurance company may authorize the treasurer to invest any of its funds and accumulations in:

(a) Bonds, notes, mortgages, or other obligations guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America and those for which the credit of the United States is pledged to pay principal, interest or dividends, including United States agency and instrumentality bonds, debentures, or obligations;

(b) Bonds, notes, evidence of indebtedness, or other public authority obligations guaranteed by this state;

(c) Bonds, notes, evidence of the indebtedness or other obligations guaranteed by the full faith and credit of any county, municipality, school district, or other duly authorized political subdivision of this state;

(d) Bonds or other interest bearing obligations, payable from revenues, provided that the bonds or other interest bearing obligations are at the time of purchase rated among the highest four quality categories used by a nationally recognized rating agency for rating the quality of similar bonds or other interest bearing obligations, and are not rated lower by any other such agency; or obligations of a United States agency or instrumentality that have been ~~determined to be investment grade~~ (as indicated by a "yes" rating) rated in one of the two highest categories established by the Securities Valuation Office of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. A company may not invest more than 20 percent of its admitted assets in the obligations of any one corporation. This is not applicable to bonds or other interest bearing obligations in default as to principal;

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(e) Investments in the obligations stated in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d), may be made either directly or in the form of securities of, or other interests in, an investment company registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940. Investment company shares authorized pursuant to this subdivision shall not exceed 20 percent of the company's surplus. These obligations must be carried at the lower of cost or market on the annual statement filed with the commissioner and adjusted to market on an annual basis;

(f) Loans upon improved and unencumbered real property in this state worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon, not including buildings, unless insured by property insurance policies payable to and held by the security holder;

(g) Real estate, including land, buildings and fixtures, located in this state and used primarily as home office space for the insurance company;

(h) Demand or time deposits or savings accounts in federally insured depositories located in this state to the extent that the deposit or investment is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Federal Savings and Loan Corporation, or the National Credit Union Administration;

(i) Guarantee fund certificates of a mutual insurer which reinsures the business of the township mutual insurance company. The commissioner may by rule limit the amount of guarantee fund certificates which the township mutual insurance company may purchase and this limit may be a function of the size of the township mutual insurance company; and

(j) Up to \$1,500 in stock of an insurer which issues directors and officers liability insurance to township mutual insurance company directors and officers.

Presented to the governor May 22, 1995

Signed by the governor May 24, 1995, 10:28 a.m.

CHAPTER 215—H.F.No. 479

An act relating to parks and recreation; additions to and deletions from state parks; establishing a new state park and deleting two state waysides; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 85.054, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 85.013, subdivisions 13 and 20.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. ADDITIONS TO, DELETIONS FROM, AND DESIGNATION OF NEW STATE PARKS.

Subdivision 1. [85.012] [Subd. 19.] FORESTVILLE STATE PARK, FILL-MORE COUNTY. (a) The following areas are added to Forestville state park:

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