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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5	5/123B-8	from	Ch.	73,	par.	735B-8
215 ILCS 5	6/179A-15					
215 ILCS 5	5/179E-65					
215 ILCS 5	6/408	from	Ch.	73,	par.	1020

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Increases various fees imposed by the Department of Insurance. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning the Department of Insurance.

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 123B-8, 179A-15, 179E-65, and 408 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/123B-8) (from Ch. 73, par. 735B-8)

7 Sec. 123B-8. Notice and registration requirements of8 purchasing groups.

9 A. A purchasing group that intends to do business in this 10 State shall, prior to doing business, furnish notice to the 11 Director, on a form prescribed by the Director, that shall:

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(1) identify the state in which the group is domiciled;

(2) specify the lines and classifications of liability insurance which the purchasing group intends to purchase;

(3) identify the insurance company from which the group
intends to purchase its insurance and the domicile of such
company;

18 (4) specify the method by which, and the person or 19 persons, if any, through whom insurance will be offered to 20 its members whose risks are resident or located in this 21 State;

(5) identify the principal place of business of thegroup;

24 (6) identify all other states in which the group25 intends to do business; and

(7) provide such other information as may be required
by the Director to verify that the purchasing group is
qualified under subsection (10) of Section 123B-2 of this
Article.

B. A purchasing group shall, within 10 days, notify the
 Director of any changes in any item set forth in subsection A
 of this Section.

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1 C. The purchasing group shall register with and designate 2 the Director as its agent solely for the purpose of receiving 3 service of legal documents or process, for which a filing fee of $\frac{200}{100}$ payable to the Director shall be required, except 4 5 that such requirements shall not apply in the case of a purchasing group: 6 (1) which in any state of the United States: 7 (a) was domiciled before April 2, 1986; and 8 (b) is domiciled on and after October 27, 1986, in 9 10 any state of the United States; 11 (2) which: (a) before October 27, 1986, purchased insurance 12 from an insurance carrier licensed in any state; and 13 since October 27, 1986, purchased its 14 (b) insurance from an insurance carrier licensed in any 15 16 state; 17 (3) which was a purchasing group under the requirements of the Product Liability Risk Retention Act of 1981 before 18 October 27, 1986; and 19 20 (4) which does not purchase insurance that was not authorized for purposes of an exemption under that Act, as 21 in effect before October 27, 1986. 22 23 D. Any purchasing group which was doing business in this State prior to August 3, 1987, shall, within 30 days after that 24 25 date, furnish notice to the Director pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of this Section and furnish such information as 26 27 may be required pursuant to subsection B of this Section. 28 (Source: P.A. 87-1090.) 29 (215 ILCS 5/179A-15) 30 Sec. 179A-15. Establishment of protected cells. 31 (a) A domestic company may, with the prior written approval by the Director of a plan of operation submitted by the 32 33 domestic company with respect to each protected cell, establish one or more protected cells in connection with an insurance 34

securitization. Upon the written approval by the Director of

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1 the plan of operation, which shall include, but not be limited 2 to, the specific business and investment guidelines of the protected cell, the protected cell company may, in accordance 3 with the approved plan of operation, attribute to the protected 4 5 cell insurance obligations with respect to its insurance 6 business and obligations relating to the insurance 7 securitization and assets to fund those obligations. A protected cell shall have its own distinct name or designation, 8 9 which shall include the words "protected cell". The protected 10 cell company shall transfer all assets attributable to a 11 protected cell to one or more separately established and 12 identified protected cell accounts bearing the name or 13 designation of that protected cell. Protected cell assets shall be held in the protected cell accounts for the purpose of 14 15 satisfying the obligations of that protected cell. The Director 16 shall charge \$5,000 for filing a plan of operation.

17 (b) All attributions of assets and liabilities between a protected cell and the general account shall be in accordance 18 19 with the plan of operation approved by the Director. No other 20 attribution of assets or liabilities may be made by a protected cell company between the protected cell company's general 21 account and its protected cells. Any attribution of assets and 22 23 liabilities between the general account and a protected cell or 24 from investors in the form of principal on a debt instrument 25 issued by a protected cell company shall be in cash or in 26 readily marketable securities with established market values.

27 (c) The creation of a protected cell does not create, in 28 respect of that protected cell, a legal person separate from 29 the protected cell company. Amounts attributed to a protected 30 cell under this Article, including assets transferred to a 31 protected cell account, are owned by the protected cell company 32 and the protected cell company may not be, nor hold itself out to be, a trustee with respect to those protected cell assets of 33 that protected cell account. Notwithstanding the foregoing, 34 35 the company may allow for a security interest to attach to protected cell assets or a protected cell account when in favor 36

of a creditor of the protected cell and otherwise allowed under
 applicable law.

(d) This Article shall not be construed to prohibit the 3 protected cell company from contracting with or arranging for 4 5 an investment advisor, commodity trading advisor, or other 6 third party to manage the protected cell assets of a protected cell, provided that all remuneration, expenses, and other 7 8 compensation of the third party advisor or manager are payable 9 from the protected cell assets of that protected cell and not from the protected cell assets of other protected cells or the 10 11 assets of the protected cell company's general account.

12 А protected cell company shall establish (e) 13 administrative and accounting procedures necessary to properly identify the one or more protected cells of the protected cell 14 15 company and the protected cell assets and protected cell 16 liabilities attributable to the protected cells. It shall be 17 the duty of the directors of a protected cell company to:

(1) keep protected cell assets and protected cell liabilities separate and separately identifiable from the assets and liabilities of the protected cell company's general account; and

(2) keep protected cell assets and protected cell
liabilities attributable to one protected cell separate
and separately identifiable from protected cell assets and
protected cell liabilities attributable to other protected
cells.

If this Section is violated, the remedy of tracing shall be applicable to protected cell assets when commingled with protected cell assets of other protected cells or the assets of the protected cell company's general account. The remedy of tracing shall not be construed as an exclusive remedy.

32 (f) The protected cell company shall, when establishing a 33 protected cell, attribute to the protected cell assets with a 34 value at least equal to the reserves and other insurance 35 liabilities attributed to that protected cell.

36 (Source: P.A. 91-278, eff. 7-23-99; 92-74, eff. 7-12-01.)

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1 (215 ILCS 5/179E-65)

Sec. 179E-65. Fees and taxes. The Director shall charge:

(1) \$5,000 for review of the plan of operation of a SPRV.

(2) \$1,000 for filing financial statements.

5 The Director may charge fees to reimburse the Director for expenses and costs incurred by the Department incident to the 6 7 examination of financial statements and review of the plan of 8 operation and to reimburse other such activities of the 9 Director related to the formation and ongoing operation of an 10 SPRV. An SPRV is not be subject to State premium or other State 11 taxes incidental to the operation of its business as long as the business remains within the limitations of this Article. 12

13 (Source: P.A. 92-124, eff. 7-20-01.)

14 (215 ILCS 5/408) (from Ch. 73, par. 1020)

15 Sec. 408. Fees and charges.

16 (1) The Director shall charge, collect and give proper17 acquittances for the payment of the following fees and charges:

(a) For filing all documents submitted for the
 incorporation or organization or certification of a
 domestic company, except for a fraternal benefit society,
 \$2,000.

(b) For filing all documents submitted for the
incorporation or organization of a fraternal benefit
society, \$500.

(c) For filing amendments to articles of incorporation
and amendments to declaration of organization, except for a
fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a
burial society or a farm mutual, \$200.

(d) For filing amendments to articles of incorporation
of a fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit
association or a burial society, \$100.

32 (e) For filing amendments to articles of incorporation33 of a farm mutual, \$50.

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(f) For filing bylaws or amendments thereto, \$50.

1 (g) For filing agreement of merger or consolidation: 2 (i) for a domestic company, except for a fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a 3 burial society, or a farm mutual, \$2,000. 4 5 (ii) for a foreign or alien company, except for a fraternal benefit society, \$600. 6 (iii) for a fraternal benefit society, a mutual 7 benefit association, a burial society, or a farm 8 mutual, \$200. 9 10 (h) For filing agreements of reinsurance by a domestic 11 company, \$200. (i) For filing all documents submitted by a foreign or 12 alien company to be admitted to transact business or 13 accredited as a reinsurer in this State, except for a 14 fraternal benefit society, \$5,000. 15 16 (j) For filing all documents submitted by a foreign or 17 alien fraternal benefit society to be admitted to transact business in this State, \$500. 18 (k) For filing declaration of withdrawal of a foreign 19 20 or alien company, \$50. (1) For filing annual statement, except a fraternal 21 benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a burial 22 23 society, or a farm mutual, \$200. (m) For filing annual statement by a fraternal benefit 24 society, \$100. 25 (n) For filing annual statement by a farm mutual, a 26 27 mutual benefit association, or a burial society, \$50. 28 (o) For issuing a certificate of authority or renewal thereof except to a fraternal benefit society, \$200. 29 30 (p) For issuing a certificate of authority or renewal 31 thereof to a fraternal benefit society, \$100. 32 (q) For issuing an amended certificate of authority, \$50. 33 (r) For each certified copy of certificate of 34 authority, \$20. 35 (s) For each certificate of deposit, or valuation, or 36

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(t) For copies of papers or records per page, \$2 \$1.

compliance or surety certificate, \$20.

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(u) For each certification to copies of papers or records, <u>\$20</u>

5 (v) For multiple copies of documents or certificates 6 listed in subparagraphs (r), (s), and (u) of paragraph (1) 7 of this Section, <u>\$20</u> \$10 for the first copy of a 8 certificate of any type and <u>\$10</u> \$5 for each additional copy 9 of the same certificate requested at the same time, unless, 10 pursuant to paragraph (2) of this Section, the Director 11 finds these additional fees excessive.

12 (w) For issuing a permit to sell shares or increase 13 paid-up capital:

(i) in connection with a public stock offering,\$300;

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(ii) in any other case, \$100.

17 (x) For issuing any other certificate required or
18 permissible under the law, \$50.

(y) For filing a plan of exchange of the stock of a
domestic stock insurance company, a plan of
demutualization of a domestic mutual company, or a plan of
reorganization under Article XII, \$2,000.

(z) For filing a statement of acquisition of a domestic company as defined in Section 131.4 of this Code, \$2,000.

(aa) For filing an agreement to purchase the business
of an organization authorized under the Dental Service Plan
Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act or of a
health maintenance organization or a limited health
service organization, \$2,000.

30 (bb) For filing a statement of acquisition of a foreign
31 or alien insurance company as defined in Section 131.12a of
32 this Code, \$1,000.

33 (cc) For filing a registration statement as required in
34 Sections 131.13 and 131.14, the notification as required by
35 Sections 131.16, 131.20a, or 141.4, or an agreement or
36 transaction required by Sections 124.2(2), 141, 141a, or

1 141.1, \$200. 2 (dd) For filing an application for licensing of: 3 (i) a religious or charitable risk pooling trust or a workers' compensation pool, \$1,000; 4 5 (ii) a workers' compensation service company, \$500; 6 (iii) a self-insured automobile fleet, \$200; or 7 (iv) a renewal of or amendment of any license 8 issued pursuant to (i), (ii), or (iii) above, \$100. 9 For filing articles of incorporation for 10 (ee) а 11 syndicate to engage in the business of insurance through 12 the Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$2,000. (ff) For filing amended articles of incorporation for a 13 syndicate engaged in the business of insurance through the 14 Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$100. 15 16 (gg) For filing articles of incorporation for a limited 17 syndicate to join with other subscribers or limited syndicates to do business through the Illinois Insurance 18 Exchange, \$1,000. 19 20 (hh) For filing amended articles of incorporation for a limited syndicate to do business through the Illinois 21 Insurance Exchange, \$100. 22 (ii) For a permit to solicit subscriptions to a 23 syndicate or limited syndicate, \$100. 24 25 (jj) For the filing of each form as required in Section 143 of this Code, \$50 per form. The fee for advisory and 26 27 rating organizations shall be \$200 per form. 28 (i) For the purposes of the form filing fee, filings made on insert page basis will be considered 29 30 one form at the time of its original submission. Changes made to a form subsequent to its approval shall 31 32 be considered a new filing. (ii) Only one fee shall be charged for a form, 33 regardless of the number of other forms or policies 34 with which it will be used. 35 (iii) Fees charged for a policy filed as it will be 36

issued regardless of the number of forms comprising
 that policy shall not exceed \$1,000 or \$2,000 for
 advisory or rating organizations.

4 (iv) The Director may by rule exempt forms from 5 such fees.

6 (kk) For filing an application for licensing of a
7 reinsurance intermediary, \$500.

8 (11) For filing an application for renewal of a license
9 of a reinsurance intermediary, \$200.

10 (2) When printed copies or numerous copies of the same 11 paper or records are furnished or certified, the Director may 12 reduce such fees for copies if he finds them excessive. He may, 13 when he considers it in the public interest, furnish without 14 charge to state insurance departments and persons other than 15 certified copies of companies, copies or reports of 16 examinations and of other papers and records.

17 (3) The expenses incurred in any performance examination authorized by law shall be paid by the company or person being 18 19 examined. The charge shall be reasonably related to the cost of 20 the examination including but not limited to compensation of examiners, electronic data processing costs, supervision and 21 22 preparation of an examination report and lodging and travel 23 expenses. All lodging and travel expenses shall be in accord 24 with the applicable travel regulations as published by the 25 Department of Central Management Services and approved by the 26 Governor's Travel Control Board, except that out-of-state 27 lodging and travel expenses related to examinations authorized under Section 132 shall be in accordance with travel rates 28 29 prescribed under paragraph 301-7.2 of the Federal Travel 301-7.2, for reimbursement 30 Regulations, 41 C.F.R. of subsistence expenses incurred during official travel. 31 All 32 lodging and travel expenses may be reimbursed directly upon 33 authorization of the Director. With the exception of the direct reimbursements authorized by the Director, all performance 34 35 examination charges collected by the Department shall be paid to the Insurance Producers Administration Fund, however, the 36

electronic data processing costs incurred by the Department in the performance of any examination shall be billed directly to the company being examined for payment to the Statistical Services Revolving Fund.

5 (4) At the time of any service of process on the Director 6 as attorney for such service, the Director shall charge and 7 collect the sum of \$20, which may be recovered as taxable costs 8 by the party to the suit or action causing such service to be 9 made if he prevails in such suit or action.

10 (5) (a) The costs incurred by the Department of Insurance 11 in conducting any hearing authorized by law shall be assessed 12 against the parties to the hearing in such proportion as the 13 Director of Insurance may determine upon consideration of all relevant circumstances including: (1) the nature of 14 the 15 hearing; (2) whether the hearing was instigated by, or for the 16 benefit of a particular party or parties; (3) whether there is 17 a successful party on the merits of the proceeding; and (4) the relative levels of participation by the parties. 18

19 (b) For purposes of this subsection (5) costs incurred 20 shall mean the hearing officer fees, court reporter fees, and travel expenses of Department of Insurance officers 21 and employees; provided however, that costs incurred shall not 22 23 include hearing officer fees or court reporter fees unless the the 24 retained services Department has of independent 25 contractors or outside experts to perform such functions.

(c) The Director shall make the assessment of costs 26 27 incurred as part of the final order or decision arising out of 28 the proceeding; provided, however, that such order or decision 29 shall include findings and conclusions in support of the 30 assessment of costs. This subsection (5) shall not be construed 31 as permitting the payment of travel expenses unless calculated 32 in accordance with the applicable travel regulations of the Department of Central Management Services, as approved by the 33 Governor's Travel Control Board. The Director as part of such 34 35 order or decision shall require all assessments for hearing officer fees and court reporter fees, if any, to be paid 36

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directly to the hearing officer or court reporter by the party(s) assessed for such costs. The assessments for travel expenses of Department officers and employees shall be reimbursable to the Director of Insurance for deposit to the fund out of which those expenses had been paid.

6 (d) The provisions of this subsection (5) shall apply in
7 the case of any hearing conducted by the Director of Insurance
8 not otherwise specifically provided for by law.

9 (6) The Director shall charge and collect an annual 10 financial regulation fee from every domestic company for 11 examination and analysis of its financial condition and to fund 12 the internal costs and expenses of the Interstate Insurance 13 Receivership Commission as may be allocated to the State of Illinois and companies doing an insurance business in this 14 15 State pursuant to Article X of the Interstate Insurance 16 Receivership Compact. The fee shall be the greater fixed amount based upon the combination of nationwide direct premium income 17 and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium income or upon 18 19 admitted assets calculated under this subsection as follows:

(a) Combination of nationwide direct premium income and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium.

(i) \$150, if the premium is less than \$500,000 and there is no reinsurance assumed premium;

(ii) \$750, if the premium is \$500,000 or more, but
less than \$5,000,000 and there is no reinsurance
assumed premium; or if the premium is less than
\$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is less
than \$10,000,000;

29 (iii) \$3,750, if the premium is less than 30 \$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is 31 \$10,000,000 or more;

32 (iv) \$7,500, if the premium is \$5,000,000 or more,
 33 but less than \$10,000,000;

34(v) \$18,000, if the premium is \$10,000,000 or more,35but less than \$25,000,000;

36 (vi) \$22,500, if the premium is \$25,000,000 or

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28 The Director shall charge and collect an annual (7) 29 financial regulation fee from every foreign or alien company, 30 except fraternal benefit societies, for the examination and 31 analysis of its financial condition and to fund the internal 32 costs and expenses of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Commission as may be allocated to the State of Illinois and 33 34 companies doing an insurance business in this State pursuant to Article X of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Compact. The 35 36 fee shall be a fixed amount based upon Illinois direct premium

designated by the group.

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1 income and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium income in 2 accordance with the following schedule:

3 4 (a) \$150, if the premium is less than \$500,000 and there is no reinsurance assumed premium;

5 (b) \$750, if the premium is \$500,000 or more, but less 6 than \$5,000,000 and there is no reinsurance assumed 7 premium; or if the premium is less than \$5,000,000 and the 8 reinsurance assumed premium is less than \$10,000,000;

9 (c) \$3,750, if the premium is less than \$5,000,000 and 10 the reinsurance assumed premium is \$10,000,000 or more;

11 (d) \$7,500, if the premium is \$5,000,000 or more, but 12 less than \$10,000,000;

13 (e) \$18,000, if the premium is \$10,000,000 or more, but
14 less than \$25,000,000;

15 (f) \$22,500, if the premium is \$25,000,000 or more, but 16 less than \$50,000,000;

17 (g) \$30,000, if the premium is \$50,000,000 or more, but 18 less than \$100,000,000;

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(h) \$37,500, if the premium is \$100,000,000 or more.

The sum of financial regulation fees under this subsection (7) charged to the foreign or alien companies within the same affiliated group shall not exceed \$250,000 in the aggregate in any single year and shall be billed by the Director to the member company designated by the group.

(8) Beginning January 1, 1992, the financial regulation 25 26 fees imposed under subsections (6) and (7) of this Section 27 shall be paid by each company or domestic affiliated group annually. After January 1, 1994, the fee shall be billed by 28 29 Department invoice based upon the company's premium income or admitted assets as shown in its annual statement for the 30 31 preceding calendar year. The invoice is due upon receipt and 32 must be paid no later than June 30 of each calendar year. All financial regulation fees collected by the Department shall be 33 paid to the Insurance Financial Regulation Fund. The Department 34 35 may not collect financial examiner per diem charges from companies subject to subsections (6) and (7) of this Section 36

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undergoing financial examination after June 30, 1992.

2 (9) In addition to the financial regulation fee required by 3 this Section, a company undergoing any financial examination authorized by law shall pay the following costs and expenses 4 5 incurred by the Department: electronic data processing costs, 6 the expenses authorized under Section 131.21 and subsection (d) of Section 132.4 of this Code, and lodging and travel expenses. 7

8 Electronic data processing costs incurred by the Department in the performance of any examination shall be 9 10 billed directly to the company undergoing examination for 11 payment to the Statistical Services Revolving Fund. Except for 12 direct reimbursements authorized by the Director or direct 13 payments made under Section 131.21 or subsection (d) of Section 132.4 of this Code, all financial regulation fees and all 14 15 financial examination charges collected by the Department 16 shall be paid to the Insurance Financial Regulation Fund.

17 All lodging and travel expenses shall be in accordance with applicable travel regulations published by the Department of 18 19 Central Management Services and approved by the Governor's 20 Travel Control Board, except that out-of-state lodging and travel expenses related to examinations authorized under 21 Sections 132.1 through 132.7 shall be in accordance with travel 22 23 rates prescribed under paragraph 301-7.2 of the Federal Travel Regulations, 301-7.2, for reimbursement 24 41 C.F.R. of 25 subsistence expenses incurred during official travel. All 26 lodging and travel expenses may be reimbursed directly upon the 27 authorization of the Director.

In the case of an organization or person not subject to the 28 29 financial regulation fee, the expenses incurred in anv 30 financial examination authorized by law shall be paid by the 31 organization or person being examined. The charge shall be 32 reasonably related to the cost of the examination including, but not limited to, compensation of examiners and other costs 33 34 described in this subsection.

35 (10) Any company, person, or entity failing to make any 36 payment of \$150 or more as required under this Section shall be - 15 - LRB093 16344 SAS 41982 b

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subject to the penalty and interest provisions provided for in
 subsections (4) and (7) of Section 412.

3 (11) Unless otherwise specified, all of the fees collected
4 under this Section shall be paid into the Insurance Financial
5 Regulation Fund.

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(12) For purposes of this Section:

7 (a) "Domestic company" means a company as defined in 8 Section 2 of this Code which is incorporated or organized 9 under the laws of this State, and in addition includes a 10 not-for-profit corporation authorized under the Dental 11 Service Plan Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plans 12 Act, a health maintenance organization, and a limited 13 health service organization.

(b) "Foreign company" means a company as defined in Section 2 of this Code which is incorporated or organized under the laws of any state of the United States other than this State and in addition includes a health maintenance organization and a limited health service organization which is incorporated or organized under the laws of any state of the United States other than this State.

(c) "Alien company" means a company as defined in
Section 2 of this Code which is incorporated or organized
under the laws of any country other than the United States.

(d) "Fraternal benefit society" means a corporation,
 society, order, lodge or voluntary association as defined
 in Section 282.1 of this Code.

(e) "Mutual benefit association" means a company,
association or corporation authorized by the Director to do
business in this State under the provisions of Article
XVIII of this Code.

(f) "Burial society" means a person, firm,
corporation, society or association of individuals
authorized by the Director to do business in this State
under the provisions of Article XIX of this Code.

(g) "Farm mutual" means a district, county and township
 mutual insurance company authorized by the Director to do

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business in this State under the provisions of the Farm
Mutual Insurance Company Act of 1986.
(Source: P.A. 93-32, eff. 7-1-03.)

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