

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 SB1731

Introduced 2/15/2013, by Sen. William R. Haine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 152/10 215 ILCS 152/15

Amends the Service Contract Act. Includes in certain conditions that a service contract provider must meet in order to issue, sell, or offer to sell a service contract in this State a requirement that the service contract provider shall pay, for the privilege of doing business in this State, a tax equal to 0.5% of the gross consideration received. Provides that the tax shall be remitted to the Director of Insurance in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Insurance Code concerning the annual privilege tax payable by companies and makes a corresponding change.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

- Section 5. The Service Contract Act is amended by changing

 Sections 10 and 15 as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 152/10)

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10. Exemptions. Service contract providers related service contract sellers and administrators complying with this Act are not required to comply with and are not subject to any provision of the Illinois Insurance Code, unless otherwise provided in this Act. A service contract provider who is the manufacturer or a wholly-owned subsidiary of the manufacturer of the product or the builder, seller, or lessor of the product that is the subject of the service contract is required to comply only with Sections 30, 35, 45, and 50 of this Act; except that, a service contract provider who sells a motor vehicle, excluding a motorcycle as defined in Section 1-147 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, or who leases, but is not the manufacturer of, the motor vehicle, excluding a motorcycle as defined in Section 1-147 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, that is the subject of the service contract must comply with this Act in its entirety. Contracts for the repair and monitoring of private alarm or private security systems regulated under the

- 1 Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security,
- 2 Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004 are not required
- 3 to comply with this Act and are not subject to any provision of
- 4 the Illinois Insurance Code.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 95-613, eff. 9-11-07.)
- 6 (215 ILCS 152/15)
- 7 Sec. 15. Financial requirements. No service contract shall
- 8 be issued, sold, or offered for sale in this State unless one
- 9 of the following conditions are satisfied:
- 10 (1) (A) The service contract provider is insured under a
- service contract reimbursement insurance policy issued by
- an insurer authorized to do business in this State and
- providing that the insurer will pay to, or on behalf of,
- 14 the service contract provider all sums that the service
- 15 contract provider is legally obligated to pay according to
- the service contract provider's contractual obligations
- 17 under the service contracts issued or sold by the service
- 18 contract provider;
- 19 (B) a true and correct copy of the service contract
- 20 reimbursement insurance policy has been filed with the
- 21 Director by the service contract provider;
- (C) the service contract states that the obligations of
- 23 the service contract provider to the service contract
- 24 holder are covered under a service contract reimbursement
- 25 insurance policy; and

- (D) the service contract states the name and address of the issuer of the service contract reimbursement insurance policy and states that in the event covered service is not provided by the service contract provider within 60 days of proof of loss by the service contract holder, the service contract holder may file directly with the service contract reimbursement insurance company.
- (2) (A) The service contract provider maintains a funded reserve account for its obligations under its service contracts issued and outstanding in this State. The reserves shall not be less than 40% of the gross consideration received, less claims paid, for all service contracts sold and then in force;
- (B) the service contract provider places in trust with the Director a financial security deposit, having a value of not less than 5% of the gross consideration received, less claims paid, for all service contracts sold and then in force, but not less than \$25,000, consisting of securities of the type eligible for deposit by authorized insurers in this State and;
- (C) the service contract provider provides the Director with an audited financial statement annually of the service contract revenues and claims; and \cdot
- (D) the service contract provider shall pay, for the privilege of doing business in this State, a tax equal to 0.5% of the gross consideration received; the tax shall be

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remitted to the Director in accordance with the provisions of Section 409 of the Illinois Insurance Code.

- (3) (A) The service contract provider, or its parent company in accordance with subdivision (3)(B), maintains a net worth or stockholders' equity of \$100,000,000; and
- service contract provider provides Director with a copy of the service contract provider's or service contract provider's parent company's most recent Form 10-K or Form 20-F filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within the last calendar year or, if the service contract provider does not file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, a copy of the service contract provider's or the service contract provider's parent company's audited financial statements that shows a net worth of the service contract provider or its parent company of at least \$100,000,000. If the service contract provider's parent company's Form 10-K, Form 20-F, or audited financial statements are filed to meet the service provider's financial stability requirement, then the parent company shall agree to guarantee the obligations of the provider relating to service contracts issued by the service contract provider in this State; and-
- (C) the service contract provider shall pay, for the privilege of doing business in this State, a tax equal to 0.5% of the gross consideration received; the tax shall be remitted to the Director in accordance with the provisions

- of Section 409 of the Illinois Insurance Code. 1
- 2 (Source: P.A. 90-711, eff. 8-7-98.)