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1 AN ACT in relation to insurance.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by changing Sections 143, 229.4, and 408 and adding Section 229.4a as follows:
- 7 (215 ILCS 5/143) (from Ch. 73, par. 755)
- 8 Sec. 143. Policy forms.
  - (1) Life, accident and health. No company transacting the kind or kinds of business enumerated in Classes 1 (a), 1 (b) and 2 (a) of Section 4 shall issue or deliver in this State a policy or certificate of insurance or evidence of coverage, attach an endorsement or rider thereto, incorporate by reference bylaws or other matter therein or use an application blank in this State until the form and content of such policy, certificate, evidence of coverage, endorsement, rider, bylaw or other matter incorporated by reference or application blank has been filed <u>electronically</u> with <u>the Director</u>, <u>either through</u> the System for Electronic Rate and Form Filing (SERFF) or as otherwise prescribed by the Director, and approved by the Director. The Department shall mail a quarterly invoice to the company for the appropriate filing fees required under Section 408. and the appropriate filing fee under Section 408 has been paid, except that Any such endorsement or rider that unilaterally reduces benefits and is to be attached to a policy subsequent to the date the policy is issued must be filed with, reviewed, and formally approved by the Director prior to the date it is attached to a policy issued or delivered in this State. It shall be the duty of the Director to withhold approval of any such policy, certificate, endorsement, rider, bylaw or other matter incorporated by reference or application blank filed with him if it contains provisions which encourage

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are unjust, misrepresentation or unfair, inequitable, ambiguous, misleading, inconsistent, deceptive, contrary to law or to the public policy of this State, or contains exceptions and conditions that unreasonably or deceptively affect the risk purported to be assumed in the general coverage of the policy. In all cases the Director shall approve or disapprove any such form within 60 days after submission unless the Director extends by not more than an additional 30 days the period within which he shall approve or disapprove any such form by giving written notice to the insurer of such extension before expiration of the initial 60 days period. The Director shall withdraw his approval of a policy, certificate, evidence endorsement, rider, bylaw, coverage, or other incorporated by reference or application blank if subsequently determines that such policy, certificate, evidence of coverage, endorsement, rider, bylaw, other matter, or application blank is misrepresentative, unjust, unfair, inequitable, ambiguous, misleading, inconsistent, deceptive, contrary to law or public policy of this State, or contains exceptions or conditions which unreasonably or deceptively affect the risk purported to be assumed in the general coverage of the policy or evidence of coverage.

If a previously approved policy, certificate, evidence of endorsement, rider, bylaw coverage, or other matter incorporated by reference or application blank is withdrawn for use, the Director shall serve upon the company an order of withdrawal of use, either personally or by mail, and if by such service shall be completed if such notice be deposited in the post office, postage prepaid, addressed to the company's last known address specified in the records of the Department of Insurance. The order of withdrawal of use shall take effect 30 days from the date of mailing but shall be stayed if within the 30-day period a written request for hearing is filed with the Director. Such hearing shall be held at such time and place as designated in the order given by the Director. The hearing may be held either in the City of

Springfield, the City of Chicago or in the county where the principal business address of the company is located. The action of the Director in disapproving or withdrawing such form shall be subject to judicial review under the Administrative Review Law.

All examinations, investigations, and hearings provided for by this Code may be conducted either by the Director personally or by one or more of the actuaries, technical advisors, deputies, supervisors, or examiners employed or retained by the Department and designated by the Director for that purpose. When necessary to supplement its examination procedures, the Department may retain independent actuaries deemed competent by the Director, independent certified public accountants, or qualified examiners of insurance companies deemed competent by the Director, or any combination of the foregoing, the cost of which shall be borne by the company or person being examined.

This subsection shall not apply to riders or endorsements issued or made at the request of the individual policyholder relating to the manner of distribution of benefits or to the reservation of rights and benefits under his life insurance policy.

(2) Casualty, fire, and marine. The Director shall require the filing of all policy forms issued or delivered by any company transacting the kind or kinds of business enumerated in Classes 2 (except Class 2 (a)) and 3 of Section 4. In addition, he may require the filing of any generally used riders, endorsements, certificates, application blanks, and other matter incorporated by reference in any such policy or contract of insurance. The Department shall mail a quarterly invoice to the company for the appropriate filing fees required under Section 408 along with the appropriate filing fee under Section 408. Companies that are members of an organization, bureau, or association may have the same filed for them by the organization, bureau, or association. If the Director shall find from an examination of any such policy form, rider,

1 endorsement, certificate, application blank, or other matter 2 incorporated by reference in any such policy so filed that it 3 (i) violates any provision of this Code, (ii) contains 4 inconsistent, ambiguous, or misleading clauses, or (iii) 5 contains exceptions and conditions that will unreasonably or 6 deceptively affect the risks that are purported to be assumed by the policy, he shall order the company or companies issuing 7 8 these forms to discontinue their use. Nothing in this 9 subsection shall require a company transacting the kind or kinds of business enumerated in Classes 2 (except Class 2 (a)) 10 11 and 3 of Section 4 to obtain approval of these forms before 12 they are issued nor in any way affect the legality of any policy that has been issued and found to be in conflict with 13 this subsection, but such policies shall be subject to the 14 provisions of Section 442. 15

(3) This Section shall not apply (i) to surety contracts or fidelity bonds, (ii) to policies issued to an industrial insured as defined in Section 121-2.08 except for workers' compensation policies, nor (iii) to riders or endorsements prepared to meet special, unusual, peculiar, or extraordinary conditions applying to an individual risk.

22 (Source: P.A. 90-794, eff. 8-14-98.)

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24 (215 ILCS 5/229.4) (from Ch. 73, par. 841.4)

Sec. 229.4. Standard Non-forfeiture Law for Individual Deferred Annuities.

(1) No contract of annuity issued on or after the operative date of this Section except as stated in subsection (11) shall be delivered or issued for delivery in this State unless it contains in substance the following provisions or corresponding provisions which in the opinion of the Director are at least as favorable to the contract holder upon cessation of payment of considerations under the contract:

(a) That upon cessation of payment of considerations

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under a contract, the company will grant a paid-up annuity benefit on a plan stipulated in the contract of such value as is specified in subsections (3), (4), (5), (6) and (8).

- (b) If a contract provides for a lump sum settlement at maturity, or at any other time, that upon surrender of the contract at or prior to the commencement of any annuity payments, the company will pay in lieu of any paid-up annuity benefit a cash surrender benefit of such amount as is specified in subsections (3), (4), (6) and (8). The company shall reserve the right to defer the payment of such cash surrender benefit for a period of 6 months after demand therefor with surrender of the contract.
- (c) A statement of the mortality table, if any, and interest rates used in calculating any minimum paid-up annuity, cash surrender or death benefits that are guaranteed under the contract, together with sufficient information to determine the amount of such benefits.
- (d) A statement that any paid-up annuity, cash surrender or death benefits that may be available under the contract are not less than the minimum benefits required by any statute of the state in which the contract is delivered and an explanation of the manner in which such benefits are altered by the existence of any additional amounts credited by the company to the contract, any indebtedness to the company on the contract or any prior withdrawals from or partial surrenders of the contract.

Notwithstanding the requirements of this subsection, any deferred annuity contract may provide that if no considerations have been received under a contract for a period of 2 full years and the portion of the paid-up annuity benefit at maturity on the plan stipulated in the contract arising from considerations paid prior to such period would be less than \$20.00 monthly, the company may at its option terminate such contract by payment in cash of the present value of such portion of the paid-up annuity benefit, calculated on the basis of the mortality table, if any, and interest rate specified in

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the contract for determining the paid-up annuity benefit, and by such payment shall be relieved of any further obligation under such contract.

- (2) The minimum values as specified in subsections (3), (4), (5), (6) and (8) of any paid-up annuity, cash surrender or death benefits available under an annuity contract shall be based upon minimum nonforfeiture amounts as defined in this subsection.
  - (a) With respect to contracts providing for flexible considerations, the minimum nonforfeiture amount at any time at or prior to the commencement of any annuity payments shall be equal to an accumulation up to such time at a rate of interest of 3% per annum of percentages of the net considerations, as hereinafter defined, paid prior to such time, decreased by the sum of (i) any prior withdrawals from or partial surrenders of the contract accumulated at a rate of interest of 3% per annum and (ii) the amount of any indebtedness to the company on the contract, including interest due and accrued, and increased by any existing additional amounts credited by the company to the contract.

The net considerations for a given contract year used to define the minimum nonforfeiture amount shall be an amount not less than zero and shall be equal to the corresponding gross considerations credited the contract during that contract year less an annual contract charge of \$30.00 and less a collection charge of \$1.25 per consideration credited to the contract during that contract year. The percentages of net considerations shall be 65% of the net consideration for the first contract year and 87 1/2% of the net considerations for the second and later contract years. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding sentence, the percentage shall be 65% of the portion of the total net consideration for any renewal contract year which exceeds by not more than two times the sum of those portions of the net considerations in all

1 prior contract years for which the percentage was 65%.

- (a-5) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection, the minimum nonforfeiture amount for any contract issued on or after July 1, 2002 and before July 1, 2005 shall be based on a rate of interest of 1.5% per annum.
- (b) With respect to contracts providing for fixed scheduled considerations, minimum nonforfeiture amounts shall be calculated on the assumption that considerations are paid annually in advance and shall be defined as for contracts with flexible considerations which are paid annually, with two exceptions:
  - (i) The portion of the net consideration for the first contract year to be accumulated shall be the sum of 65% of the net consideration for the first contract year plus 22 1/2% of the excess of the net consideration for the first contract year over the lesser of the net considerations for the second and third contract years.
  - (ii) The annual contract charge shall be the lesser of (A) \$30.00 or (B) 10% of the gross annual consideration.
- (c) With respect to contracts providing for a single consideration, minimum nonforfeiture amounts shall be defined as for contracts with flexible considerations except that the percentage of net consideration used to determine the minimum nonforfeiture amount shall be equal to 90% and the net consideration shall be the gross consideration less a contract charge of \$75.00.
- (3) Any paid-up annuity benefit available under a contract shall be such that its present value on the date annuity payments are to commence is at least equal to the minimum nonforfeiture amount on that date. Such present value shall be computed using the mortality table, if any, and the interest rate specified in the contract for determining the minimum paid-up annuity benefits guaranteed in the contract.

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- (4) For contracts which provide cash surrender benefits, such cash surrender benefits available prior to maturity shall not be less than the present value as of the date of surrender of that portion of the maturity value of the paid-up annuity benefit which would be provided under the contract at maturity arising from considerations paid prior to the time of cash surrender reduced by the amount appropriate to reflect any prior withdrawals from or partial surrenders of the contract, such present value being calculated on the basis of an interest rate not more than 1% higher than the interest rate specified in the contract for accumulating the net considerations to determine such maturity value, decreased by the amount of any indebtedness to the company on the contract, including interest due and accrued, and increased by any existing additional amounts credited by the company to the contract. In no event shall any cash surrender benefit be less than the minimum nonforfeiture amount at that time. The death benefit under such contracts shall be at least equal to the cash surrender benefit.
- (5) For contracts which do not provide cash surrender benefits, the present value of any paid-up annuity benefit available as a nonforfeiture option at any time prior to maturity shall not be less than the present value of that portion of the maturity value of the paid-up benefit provided under the contract arising from considerations paid prior to the time of the contract is surrendered in exchange for, or changed to, a deferred paid-up annuity, such present value being calculated for the period prior to the maturity date on the basis of the interest rate specified in the contract for accumulating the net considerations to determine such maturity value, and increased by any existing additional amounts credited by the company to the contract. For contracts which do not provide any death benefits prior to the commencement of any annuity payments, such present values shall be calculated on the basis of such interest rate and the mortality table specified in the contract for determining the maturity value of

the paid-up annuity benefit. However, in no event shall the present value of a paid-up annuity benefit be less than the minimum nonforfeiture amount at that time.

- (6) For the purpose of determining the benefits calculated under subsections (4) and (5), in the case of annuity contracts under which an election may be made to have annuity payments commence at optional maturity dates, the maturity date shall be deemed to be the latest date for which election shall be permitted by the contract, but shall not be deemed to be later than the anniversary of the contract next following the annuitant's seventieth birthday or the tenth anniversary of the contract, whichever is later.
- (7) Any contract which does not provide cash surrender benefits or does not provide death benefits at least equal to the minimum nonforfeiture amount prior to the commencement of any annuity payments shall include a statement in a prominent place in the contract that such benefits are not provided.
- (8) Any paid-up annuity, cash surrender or death benefits available at any time, other than on the contract anniversary under any contract with fixed scheduled considerations, shall be calculated with allowance for the lapse of time and the payment of any scheduled considerations beyond the beginning of the contract year in which cessation of payment of considerations under the contract occurs.
- (9) For any contract which provides, within the same contract by rider or supplemental contract provision, both annuity benefits and life insurance benefits that are in excess of the greater of cash surrender benefits or a return of the gross considerations with interest, the minimum nonforfeiture benefits shall be equal to the sum of the minimum nonforfeiture benefits for the annuity portion and the minimum nonforfeiture benefits, if any, for the life insurance portion computed as if each portion were a separate contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (3), (4), (5), (6) and (8), additional benefits payable (a) in the event of total and permanent disability, (b) as reversionary annuity or deferred

reversionary annuity benefits, or (c) as other policy benefits additional to life insurance, endowment, and annuity benefits, and considerations for all such additional benefits, shall be disregarded in ascertaining the minimum nonforfeiture amounts, paid-up annuity, cash surrender and death benefits that may be required by this section. The inclusion of such additional benefits shall not be required in any paid-up benefits, unless such additional benefits separately would require minimum nonforfeiture amounts, paid-up annuity, cash surrender and death benefits.

- (10) After the effective date of this Section, any company may file with the Director a written notice of its election to comply with the provisions of this Section after a specified date before the second anniversary of the effective date of this Section. After the filing of such notice, then upon such specified date, which shall be the operative date of this section for such company, this Section shall become operative with respect to annuity contracts thereafter issued by such company. If a company makes no such election, the operative date of this section for such company shall be the second anniversary of the effective date of this Section.
- (11) This Section shall not apply to any reinsurance, group annuity purchased under a retirement plan or plan of deferred established or maintained by compensation an employer (including a partnership or sole proprietorship) or by an employee organization, or by both, other than a plan providing individual retirement accounts or individual retirement annuities under Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code, as now or hereafter amended, premium deposit fund, annuity, investment annuity, immediate annuity, any deferred annuity contract after annuity payments have commenced, or reversionary annuity, nor to any contract which shall be delivered outside this State through an agent or other representative of the company issuing the contract.
  - (12) This Section is repealed on July 1, 2006.
- 36 (Source: P.A. 92-541, eff. 7-1-02.)

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1 (215 ILCS 5/229.4a new)

2 Sec. 229.4a. Standard Non-forfeiture Law for Individual 3 Deferred Annuities.

- (1) Title. This Section shall be known as the Standard Nonforfeiture Law for Individual Deferred Annuities.
- (2) Applicability. This Section shall not apply to any reinsurance, group annuity purchased under a retirement plan or plan of deferred compensation established or maintained by an employer (including a partnership or sole proprietorship) or by an employee organization, or by both, other than a plan providing individual retirement accounts or individual retirement annuities under Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code, as now or hereafter amended, premium deposit fund, variable annuity, investment annuity, immediate annuity, any deferred annuity contract after annuity payments have commenced, or reversionary annuity, nor to any contract which shall be delivered outside this State through an agent or other representative of the company issuing the contract.

## (3) Nonforfeiture Requirements.

- (A) In the case of contracts issued on or after the operative date of this Section as defined in subsection (13), no contract of annuity, except as stated in subsection (2), shall be delivered or issued for delivery in this State unless it contains in substance the following provisions, or corresponding provisions which in the opinion of the Director of Insurance are at least as favorable to the contract holder, upon cessation of payment of considerations under the contract:
  - (i) That upon cessation of payment of considerations under a contract, or upon the written request of the contract owner, the company shall grant a paid-up annuity benefit on a plan stipulated in the contract of such value as is specified in subsections (5), (6), (7), (8) and (10);
- (ii) If a contract provides for a lump sum

surrender of the contract at or prior to the commencement of any annuity payments, the company shall pay in lieu of a paid-up annuity benefit a cash surrender benefit of such amount as is specified in subsections (5), (6), (8) and (10). The company may reserve the right to defer the payment of the cash surrender benefit for a period not to exceed 6 months after demand therefor with surrender of the contract after making written request and receiving written approval of the Director. The request shall address the necessity and equitability to all policyholders of the deferral;

settlement at maturity, or at any other time, that upon

(iii) A statement of the mortality table, if any, and interest rates used calculating any minimum paid-up annuity, cash surrender, or death benefits that are quaranteed under the contract, together with sufficient information to determine the amounts of the benefits; and

(iv) A statement that any paid-up annuity, cash surrender or death benefits that may be available under the contract are not less than the minimum benefits required by any statute of the state in which the contract is delivered and an explanation of the manner in which the benefits are altered by the existence of any additional amounts credited by the company to the contract, any indebtedness to the company on the contract or any prior withdrawals from or partial surrenders of the contract.

(B) Notwithstanding the requirements of this Section, a deferred annuity contract may provide that if no considerations have been received under a contract for a period of 2 full years and the portion of the paid-up annuity benefit at maturity on the plan stipulated in the contract arising from prior considerations paid would be less than \$20 monthly, the company may at its option

1	terminate the contract by payment in cash of the then
2	present value of the portion of the paid-up annuity
3	benefit, calculated on the basis on the mortality table, if
4	any, and interest rate specified in the contract for
5	determining the paid-up annuity benefit, and by this
6	payment shall be relieved of any further obligation under
7	the contract.
8	(4) Minimum values. The minimum values as specified in
9	subsections (5), (6), (7), (8) and (10) of any paid-up annuity,
10	cash surrender or death benefits available under an annuity
11	contract shall be based upon minimum nonforfeiture amounts as
12	defined in this subsection.
13	(A)(i) The minimum nonforfeiture amount at any time at
14	or prior to the commencement of any annuity payments shall
15	be equal to an accumulation up to such time at rates of
16	interest as indicated in subdivision (4)(B) of the net
17	considerations (as hereinafter defined) paid prior to such
18	time, decreased by the sum of paragraphs (a) through (d)
19	below:
20	(a) Any prior withdrawals from or partial
21	surrenders of the contract accumulated at rates of
22	interest as indicated in subdivision (4)(B);
23	(b) An annual contract charge of \$50,
24	accumulated at rates of interest as indicated in
25	subdivision (4)(B);
26	(c) Any premium tax paid by the company for the
27	contract, accumulated at rates of interest as
28	indicated in subdivision (4)(B); and
29	(d) The amount of any indebtedness to the
30	company on the contract, including interest due and
31	accrued.
32	(ii) The net considerations for a given contract year
33	used to define the minimum nonforfeiture amount shall be an
34	amount equal to 87.5% of the gross considerations, credited
35	to the contract during that contract year.

(B) The interest rate used in determining minimum

1	nonforfeiture amounts shall be an annual rate of interest
2	determined as the lesser of 3% per annum and the following,
3	which shall be specified in the contract if the interest
4	<pre>rate will be reset:</pre>
5	(i) The five-year Constant Maturity Treasury Rate
6	reported by the Federal Reserve as of a date, or
7	average over a period, rounded to the nearest 1/20th of
8	one percent, specified in the contract no longer than
9	15 months prior to the contract issue date or
10	redetermination date under subdivision (4) (B) (iv);
11	(ii) Reduced by 125 basis points;
12	(iii) Where the resulting interest rate is not less
13	than 1%; and
14	(iv) The interest rate shall apply for an initial
15	period and may be redetermined for additional periods.
16	The redetermination date, basis and period, if any,
17	shall be stated in the contract. The basis is the date
18	or average over a specified period that produces the
19	value of the 5-year Constant Maturity Treasury Rate to
20	be used at each redetermination date.
21	(C) During the period or term that a contract provides
22	substantive participation in an equity indexed benefit, it
23	may increase the reduction described in subdivision
24	(4) (B) (ii) above by up to an additional 100 basis points to
25	reflect the value of the equity index benefit. The present
26	value at the contract issue date, and at each
27	redetermination date thereafter, of the additional
28	reduction shall not exceed market value of the benefit. The
29	Director may require a demonstration that the present value
30	of the additional reduction does not exceed the market
31	value of the benefit. Lacking such a demonstration that is
32	acceptable to the Director, the Director may disallow or
33	limit the additional reduction.
34	(D) The Director may adopt rules to implement the
35	provisions of subdivision (4)(C) and to provide for further

adjustments to the calculation of minimum nonforfeiture

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participation in an equity index benefit and for other

contracts that the Director determines adjustments are

justified.

- (5) Computation of Present Value. Any paid-up annuity benefit available under a contract shall be such that its present value on the date annuity payments are to commence is at least equal to the minimum nonforfeiture amount on that date. Present value shall be computed using the mortality table, if any, and the interest rates specified in the contract for determining the minimum paid-up annuity benefits guaranteed in the contract.
- (6) Calculation of Cash Surrender Value. For contracts that provide cash surrender benefits, the cash surrender benefits available prior to maturity shall not be less than the present value as of the date of surrender of that portion of the maturity value of the paid-up annuity benefit that would be provided under the contract at maturity arising from considerations paid prior to the time of cash surrender reduced by the amount appropriate to reflect any prior withdrawals from or partial surrenders of the contract, such present value being calculated on the basis of an interest rate not more than 1% higher than the interest rate specified in the contract for accumulating the net considerations to determine maturity value, decreased by the amount of any indebtedness to the company on the contract, including interest due and accrued, and increased by any existing additional amounts credited by the company to the contract. In no event shall any cash surrender benefit be less than the minimum nonforfeiture amount at that time. The death benefit under such contracts shall be at least equal to the cash surrender benefit.
- (7) Calculation of Paid-up Annuity Benefits. For contracts that do not provide cash surrender benefits, the present value of any paid-up annuity benefit available as a nonforfeiture option at any time prior to maturity shall not be less than the present value of that portion of the maturity value of the

from considerations paid prior to the time the contract arising from considerations paid prior to the time the contract is surrendered in exchange for, or changed to, a deferred paid-up annuity, such present value being calculated for the period prior to the maturity date on the basis of the interest rate specified in the contract for accumulating the net considerations to determine maturity value, and increased by any additional amounts credited by the company to the contract. For contracts that do not provide any death benefits prior to the commencement of any annuity payments, present values shall be calculated on the basis of such interest rate and the mortality table specified in the contract for determining the maturity value of the paid-up annuity benefit. However, in no event shall the present value of a paid-up annuity benefit be less than the minimum nonforfeiture amount at that time.

- (8) Maturity Date. For the purpose of determining the benefits calculated under subsections (6) and (7), in the case of annuity contracts under which an election may be made to have annuity payments commence at optional maturity dates, the maturity date shall be deemed to be the latest date for which election shall be permitted by the contract, but shall not be deemed to be later than the anniversary of the contract next following the annuitant's seventieth birthday or the tenth anniversary of the contract, whichever is later.
- (9) Disclosure of Limited Death Benefits. A contract that does not provide cash surrender benefits or does not provide death benefits at least equal to the minimum nonforfeiture amount prior to the commencement of any annuity payments shall include a statement in a prominent place in the contract that such benefits are not provided.
- (10) Inclusion of Lapse of Time Considerations. Any paid-up annuity, cash surrender or death benefits available at any time, other than on the contract anniversary under any contract with fixed scheduled considerations, shall be calculated with allowance for the lapse of time and the payment of any scheduled considerations beyond the beginning of the contract

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2 contract occurs.

(11) Proration of Values; Additional Benefits. For a contract which provides, within the same contract by rider or supplemental contract provision, both annuity benefits and life insurance benefits that are in excess of the greater of cash surrender benefits or a return of the gross considerations with interest, the minimum nonforfeiture benefits shall be equal to the sum of the minimum nonforfeiture benefits for the annuity portion and the minimum nonforfeiture benefits, if any, for the life insurance portion computed as if each portion were a separate contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (5), (6), (7), (8) and (10), additional benefits payable in the event of total and permanent disability, as reversionary annuity or deferred reversionary annuity benefits, or as other policy benefits additional to life insurance, endowment and annuity benefits, and considerations for all such additional benefits, shall be disregarded in ascertaining the minimum nonforfeiture amounts, paid-up annuity, cash surrender and death benefits that may be required under this Section. The inclusion of such benefits shall not be required in any paid-up benefits, unless the additional benefits separately would require minimum nonforfeiture amounts, paid-up annuity, cash surrender and death benefits.

(12) Rules. The Director may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this Section.

(13) Effective Date. After the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, a company may elect to apply its provisions to annuity contracts on a contract form-by-contract form basis before July 1, 2006. In all other instances, this Section shall become operative with respect to annuity contracts issued by the company on or after July 1, 2006.

<sup>34 (215</sup> ILCS 5/408) (from Ch. 73, par. 1020)

<sup>35</sup> Sec. 408. Fees and charges.

- (1) The Director shall charge, collect and give proper 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.
  - (e) For filing amendments to articles of incorporation of a farm mutual, \$50.
    - (f) For filing bylaws or amendments thereto, \$50.
    - (g) For filing agreement of merger or consolidation:
    - (i) for a domestic company, except for a fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a burial society, or a farm mutual, \$2,000.
    - (ii) for a foreign or alien company, except for a fraternal benefit society, \$600.
    - (iii) for a fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a burial society, or a farm mutual, \$200.
  - (h) For filing agreements of reinsurance by a domestic company, \$200.
  - (i) For filing all documents submitted by a foreign or alien company to be admitted to transact business or accredited as a reinsurer in this State, except for a fraternal benefit society, \$5,000.
  - (j) For filing all documents submitted by a foreign or alien fraternal benefit society to be admitted to transact

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- 1 business in this State, \$500.
- 2 (k) For filing declaration of withdrawal of a foreign 3 or alien company, \$50.
  - (1) For filing annual statement, except a fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a burial society, or a farm mutual, \$200.
  - (m) For filing annual statement by a fraternal benefit society, \$100.
  - (n) For filing annual statement by a farm mutual, a mutual benefit association, or a burial society, \$50.
  - (o) For issuing a certificate of authority or renewal thereof except to a fraternal benefit society, \$200.
  - (p) For issuing a certificate of authority or renewal thereof to a fraternal benefit society, \$100.
  - (q) For issuing an amended certificate of authority, \$50.
    - (r) For each certified copy of certificate of authority, \$20.
      - (s) For each certificate of deposit, or valuation, or compliance or surety certificate, \$20.
        - (t) For copies of papers or records per page, \$1.
    - (u) For each certification to copies of papers or records, \$10.
    - (v) For multiple copies of documents or certificates listed in subparagraphs (r), (s), and (u) of paragraph (1) of this Section, \$10 for the first copy of a certificate of any type and \$5 for each additional copy of the same certificate requested at the same time, unless, pursuant to paragraph (2) of this Section, the Director finds these additional fees excessive.
    - (w) For issuing a permit to sell shares or increase
      paid-up capital:
- - (ii) in any other case, \$100.
- 36 (x) For issuing any other certificate required or

1	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.
- (bb) For filing a statement of acquisition of a foreign or alien insurance company as defined in Section 131.12a of this Code, \$1,000.
- (cc) For filing a registration statement as required in Sections 131.13 and 131.14, the notification as required by Sections 131.16, 131.20a, or 141.4, or an agreement or transaction required by Sections 124.2(2), 141, 141a, or 141.1, \$200.
  - (dd) For filing an application for licensing of:
  - (i) a religious or charitable risk pooling trust or a workers' compensation pool, \$1,000;
  - (ii) a workers' compensation service company,
    \$500;
    - (iii) a self-insured automobile fleet, \$200; or
  - (iv) a renewal of or amendment of any license issued pursuant to (i), (ii), or (iii) above, \$100.
- (ee) For filing articles of incorporation for a syndicate to engage in the business of insurance through the Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$2,000.
- (ff) For filing amended articles of incorporation for a syndicate engaged in the business of insurance through the Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$100.
- (gg) For filing articles of incorporation for a limited syndicate to join with other subscribers or limited

1	syndicates	to	do	business	through	the	Illinois	Insurance
2	Exchange, \$	1,0	00.					

- (hh) For filing amended articles of incorporation for a limited syndicate to do business through the Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$100.
- (ii) For a permit to solicit subscriptions to a syndicate or limited syndicate, \$100.
- (jj) For the filing of each form as required in Section 143 of this Code, \$50 per form. The fee for advisory and rating organizations shall be \$200 per form.
  - (i) For the purposes of the form filing fee, filings made on insert page basis will be considered one form at the time of its original submission. Changes made to a form subsequent to its approval shall be considered a new filing.
  - (ii) Only one fee shall be charged for a form, regardless of the number of other forms or policies with which it will be used.
  - (iii) (Blank). Fees charged for a policy filed as it will be issued regardless of the number of forms comprising that policy shall not exceed \$1,000 or \$2,000 for advisory or rating organizations.
  - (iv) The Director may by rule exempt forms from such fees.
- (kk) For filing an application for licensing of a reinsurance intermediary, \$500.
- (11) For filing an application for renewal of a license of a reinsurance intermediary, \$200.
- (2) When printed copies or numerous copies of the same paper or records are furnished or certified, the Director may reduce such fees for copies if he finds them excessive. He may, when he considers it in the public interest, furnish without charge to state insurance departments and persons other than companies, copies or certified copies of reports of examinations and of other papers and records.
  - (3) The expenses incurred in any performance examination

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authorized by law shall be paid by the company or person being examined. The charge shall be reasonably related to the cost of the examination including but not limited to compensation of examiners, electronic data processing costs, supervision and preparation of an examination report and lodging and travel expenses. All lodging and travel expenses shall be in accord with the applicable travel regulations as published by the Department of Central Management Services and approved by the Governor's Travel Control Board, except that out-of-state lodging and travel expenses related to examinations authorized under Section 132 shall be in accordance with travel rates prescribed under paragraph 301-7.2 of the Federal Travel C.F.R. 301-7.2, for reimbursement Regulations, 41 subsistence expenses incurred during official travel.  $\Delta$  1 1 lodging and travel expenses may be reimbursed directly upon authorization of the Director. With the exception of the direct reimbursements authorized by the Director, all performance examination charges collected by the Department shall be paid to the Insurance Producers Administration Fund, however, the 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.

- (4) At the time of any service of process on the Director as attorney for such service, the Director shall charge and collect the sum of \$20, which may be recovered as taxable costs by the party to the suit or action causing such service to be made if he prevails in such suit or action.
- (5) (a) The costs incurred by the Department of Insurance in conducting any hearing authorized by law shall be assessed against the parties to the hearing in such proportion as the Director of Insurance may determine upon consideration of all relevant circumstances including: (1) the nature of the hearing; (2) whether the hearing was instigated by, or for the benefit of a particular party or parties; (3) whether there is a successful party on the merits of the proceeding; and (4) the

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relative levels of participation by the parties.

- (b) For purposes of this subsection (5) costs incurred shall mean the hearing officer fees, court reporter fees, and travel expenses of Department of Insurance officers and employees; provided however, that costs incurred shall not include hearing officer fees or court reporter fees unless the Department has retained the services of independent contractors or outside experts to perform such functions.
- (c) The Director shall make the assessment of costs incurred as part of the final order or decision arising out of the proceeding; provided, however, that such order or decision shall include findings and conclusions in support of the assessment of costs. This subsection (5) shall not be construed as permitting the payment of travel expenses unless calculated in accordance with the applicable travel regulations of the Department of Central Management Services, as approved by the Governor's Travel Control Board. The Director as part of such order or decision shall require all assessments for hearing officer fees and court reporter fees, if any, to be paid 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 reimbursable to the Director of Insurance for deposit to the fund out of which those expenses had been paid.
- (d) The provisions of this subsection (5) shall apply in the case of any hearing conducted by the Director of Insurance not otherwise specifically provided for by law.
- (6) The Director shall charge and collect an annual financial regulation fee from every domestic company for examination and analysis of its financial condition and to fund the internal costs and expenses of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Commission as may be allocated to the State of Illinois and companies doing an insurance business in this State pursuant to Article X of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Compact. The fee shall be the greater fixed amount based upon the combination of nationwide direct premium income

1	and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium income or upon
2	admitted assets calculated under this subsection as follows:
3	(a) Combination of nationwide direct premium income
4	and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium.
5	(i) \$150, if the premium is less than \$500,000 and
6	there is no reinsurance assumed premium;
7	(ii) \$750, if the premium is \$500,000 or more, but
8	less than \$5,000,000 and there is no reinsurance
9	assumed premium; or if the premium is less than
10	\$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is less
11	than \$10,000,000;
12	(iii) \$3,750, if the premium is less than
13	\$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is
14	\$10,000,000 or more;
15	(iv) $$7,500$ , if the premium is $$5,000,000$ or more,
16	but less than \$10,000,000;
17	(v) $$18,000$ , if the premium is $$10,000,000$ or more,
18	but less than \$25,000,000;
19	(vi) \$22,500, if the premium is \$25,000,000 or
20	more, but less than \$50,000,000;
21	(vii) \$30,000, if the premium is \$50,000,000 or
22	more, but less than \$100,000,000;
23	(viii) \$37,500, if the premium is \$100,000,000 or
24	more.
25	(b) Admitted assets.
26	(i) \$150, if admitted assets are less than
27	\$1,000,000;
28	(ii) \$750, if admitted assets are \$1,000,000 or
29	more, but less than \$5,000,000;
30	(iii) \$3,750, if admitted assets are \$5,000,000 or
31	more, but less than \$25,000,000;
32	(iv) \$7,500, if admitted assets are \$25,000,000 or
33	more, but less than \$50,000,000;
34	(v) \$18,000, if admitted assets are \$50,000,000 or
35	more, but less than \$100,000,000;

(vi) \$22,500, if admitted assets are \$100,000,000

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2 (vii) \$30,000, if admitted assets are \$500,000,000
3 or more, but less than \$1,000,000,000;

- 4 (viii) \$37,500, if admitted assets are \$1,000,000,000 or more.
  - (c) The sum of financial regulation fees charged to the domestic companies of 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.
  - (7) The Director shall charge and collect an annual financial regulation fee from every foreign or alien company, except fraternal benefit societies, for the examination and analysis of its financial condition and to fund the internal costs and expenses of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Commission as may be allocated to the State of Illinois and companies doing an insurance business in this State pursuant to Article X of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Compact. The fee shall be a fixed amount based upon Illinois direct premium income and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium income in accordance with the following schedule:
    - (a) \$150, if the premium is less than \$500,000 and there is no reinsurance assumed premium;
    - (b) \$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;
    - (c) \$3,750, if the premium is less than \$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is \$10,000,000 or more;
  - (d) \$7,500, if the premium is \$5,000,000 or more, but less than \$10,000,000;
  - (e) \$18,000, if the premium is \$10,000,000 or more, but less than \$25,000,000;
- 34 (f) \$22,500, if the premium is \$25,000,000 or more, but 35 less than \$50,000,000;
  - (g) \$30,000, if the premium is \$50,000,000 or more, but

less than \$100,000,000;

2 (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 fees imposed under subsections (6) and (7) of this Section shall be paid by each company or domestic affiliated group annually. After January 1, 1994, the fee shall be billed by Department invoice based upon the company's premium income or admitted assets as shown in its annual statement for the preceding calendar year. The invoice is due upon receipt and must be paid no later than June 30 of each calendar year. All financial regulation fees collected by the Department shall be paid to the Insurance Financial Regulation Fund. The Department may not collect financial examiner per diem charges from companies subject to subsections (6) and (7) of this Section undergoing financial examination after June 30, 1992.
- (9) In addition to the financial regulation fee required by this Section, a company undergoing any financial examination authorized by law shall pay the following costs and expenses incurred by the Department: electronic data processing costs, the expenses authorized under Section 131.21 and subsection (d) of Section 132.4 of this Code, and lodging and travel expenses.

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

All lodging and travel expenses shall be in accordance with

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

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

- (10) Any company, person, or entity failing to make any payment of \$150 or more as required under this Section shall be subject to the penalty and interest provisions provided for in subsections (4) and (7) of Section 412.
- (11) Unless otherwise specified, all of the fees collected under this Section shall be paid into the Insurance Financial Regulation Fund.
  - (12) For purposes of this Section:
  - (a) "Domestic company" means a company as defined in Section 2 of this Code which is incorporated or organized under the laws of this State, and in addition includes a not-for-profit corporation authorized under the Dental Service Plan Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act, a health maintenance organization, and a limited 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

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- 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 business in this State under the provisions of the Farm Mutual Insurance Company Act of 1986.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 93-32, eff. 7-1-03.)
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law, except the provisions changing Section 229.4 of and adding Section 229.4a to the Illinois Insurance Code take effect on July 1, 2004.