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Introduced 2/9/2011, by Sen. William R. Haine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/408

from Ch. 73, par. 1020

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that filing fees charged by the Director of Insurance for a policy filed as it will be issued regardless of the number of forms comprising that policy shall not exceed \$1,000. Provides that for advisory or rating organizations, fees charged for a policy filed as it will be issued regardless of the number of forms comprising that policy shall not exceed \$2,000. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning 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 Section 408 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/408) (from Ch. 73, par. 1020)

7 Sec. 408. Fees and charges.

8 (1) The Director shall charge, collect and give proper 9 acquittances for the payment of the following fees and charges:

10 (a) For filing all documents submitted for the 11 incorporation or organization or certification of a 12 domestic company, except for a fraternal benefit society, 13 \$2,000.

14 (b) For filing all documents submitted for the 15 incorporation or organization of a fraternal benefit 16 society, \$500.

17 (c) For filing amendments to articles of incorporation 18 and amendments to declaration of organization, except for a 19 fraternal benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a 20 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.

1 (e) For filing amendments to articles of incorporation 2 of a farm mutual, \$50. 3 (f) For filing bylaws or amendments thereto, \$50. (g) For filing agreement of merger or consolidation: 4 5 (i) for a domestic company, except for a fraternal 6 benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a 7 burial society, or a farm mutual, \$2,000. (ii) for a foreign or alien company, except for a 8 9 fraternal benefit society, \$600. 10 (iii) for a fraternal benefit society, a mutual 11 benefit association, a burial society, or a farm 12 mutual, \$200. (h) For filing agreements of reinsurance by a domestic 13 14 company, \$200. 15 (i) For filing all documents submitted by a foreign or alien company to be admitted to transact business or 16 accredited as a reinsurer in this State, except for a 17 fraternal benefit society, \$5,000. 18 19 (j) For filing all documents submitted by a foreign or 20 alien fraternal benefit society to be admitted to transact business in this State, \$500. 21 22 (k) For filing declaration of withdrawal of a foreign 23 or alien company, \$50. 24 (1) For filing annual statement, except a fraternal 25 benefit society, a mutual benefit association, a burial 26 society, or a farm mutual, \$200.

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1 (m) For filing annual statement by a fraternal benefit 2 society, \$100. 3 (n) For filing annual statement by a farm mutual, a mutual benefit association, or a burial society, \$50. 4 5 (o) For issuing a certificate of authority or renewal 6 thereof except to a fraternal benefit society, \$200. 7 (p) For issuing a certificate of authority or renewal 8 thereof to a fraternal benefit society, \$100. 9 (q) For issuing an amended certificate of authority, 10 \$50. 11 (r) For each certified copy of certificate of 12 authority, \$20. (s) For each certificate of deposit, or valuation, or 13 14 compliance or surety certificate, \$20. 15 (t) For copies of papers or records per page, \$1. 16 (u) For each certification to copies of papers or 17 records, \$10. (v) For multiple copies of documents or certificates 18 19 listed in subparagraphs (r), (s), and (u) of paragraph (1) 20 of this Section, \$10 for the first copy of a certificate of 21 any type and \$5 for each additional copy of the same 22 certificate requested at the same time, unless, pursuant to 23 paragraph (2) of this Section, the Director finds these 24 additional fees excessive. 25 (w) For issuing a permit to sell shares or increase 26 paid-up capital:

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

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

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

6 (y) For filing a plan of exchange of the stock of a 7 domestic stock insurance company, a plan of 8 demutualization of a domestic mutual company, or a plan of 9 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.

12 (aa) For filing an agreement to purchase the business 13 of an organization authorized under the Dental Service Plan 14 Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act or of a 15 health maintenance organization or a limited health 16 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.

25 (dd) For filing an application for licensing of:26 (i) a religious or charitable risk pooling trust or

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a workers' compensation pool, \$1,000; 1 2 (ii) a workers' compensation service company, \$500; 3 (iii) a self-insured automobile fleet, \$200; or 4 5 (iv) a renewal of or amendment of any license issued pursuant to (i), (ii), or (iii) above, \$100. 6 7 (ee) For filing articles of incorporation for a 8 syndicate to engage in the business of insurance through 9 the Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$2,000. 10 (ff) For filing amended articles of incorporation for a 11 syndicate engaged in the business of insurance through the 12 Illinois Insurance Exchange, \$100. 13 (qq) For filing articles of incorporation for a limited 14 syndicate to join with other subscribers or limited 15 syndicates to do business through the Illinois Insurance 16 Exchange, \$1,000. 17 (hh) For filing amended articles of incorporation for a

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17 (III) FOT ITTING amended articles of incorporation for a
18 limited syndicate to do business through the Illinois
19 Insurance Exchange, \$100.

20 (ii) For a permit to solicit subscriptions to a
21 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

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one form at the time of its original submission. Changes made to a form subsequent to its approval shall be considered a new filing.

4 (ii) Only one fee shall be charged for a form,
5 regardless of the number of other forms or policies
6 with which it will be used.

7 (iii) <u>Fees charged for a policy filed as it will be</u>
8 <u>issued regardless of the number of forms comprising</u>
9 <u>that policy shall not exceed \$1,000. For advisory or</u>
10 <u>rating organizations, fees charged for a policy filed</u>
11 <u>as it will be issued regardless of the number of forms</u>
12 <u>comprising that policy shall not exceed \$2,000</u>
13 (Blank).

14(iv) The Director may by rule exempt forms from15such fees.

16 (kk) For filing an application for licensing of a 17 reinsurance intermediary, \$500.

18 (11) For filing an application for renewal of a license19 of a reinsurance intermediary, \$200.

20 (2) When printed copies or numerous copies of the same 21 paper or records are furnished or certified, the Director may 22 reduce such fees for copies if he finds them excessive. He may, 23 when he considers it in the public interest, furnish without 24 charge to state insurance departments and persons other than 25 companies, copies or certified copies of reports of 26 examinations and of other papers and records.

(3) The expenses incurred in any performance examination 1 2 authorized by law shall be paid by the company or person being 3 examined. The charge shall be reasonably related to the cost of the examination including but not limited to compensation of 4 5 examiners, electronic data processing costs, supervision and preparation of an examination report and lodging and travel 6 expenses. All lodging and travel expenses shall be in accord 7 8 with the applicable travel regulations as published by the 9 Department of Central Management Services and approved by the 10 Governor's Travel Control Board, except that out-of-state 11 lodging and travel expenses related to examinations authorized 12 under Section 132 shall be in accordance with travel rates 13 prescribed under paragraph 301-7.2 of the Federal Travel 301-7.2, C.F.R. 14 Regulations, 41 for reimbursement of 15 subsistence expenses incurred during official travel. All 16 lodging and travel expenses may be reimbursed directly upon 17 authorization of the Director. With the exception of the direct reimbursements authorized by the Director, all performance 18 examination charges collected by the Department shall be paid 19 20 to the Insurance Producers Administration Fund, however, the electronic data processing costs incurred by the Department in 21 22 the performance of any examination shall be billed directly to 23 the company being examined for payment to the Statistical Services Revolving Fund. 24

(4) At the time of any service of process on the Directoras attorney for such service, the Director shall charge and

1 collect the sum of \$20, which may be recovered as taxable costs
2 by the party to the suit or action causing such service to be
3 made if he prevails in such suit or action.

(5) (a) The costs incurred by the Department of Insurance 4 5 in conducting any hearing authorized by law shall be assessed against the parties to the hearing in such proportion as the 6 7 Director of Insurance may determine upon consideration of all 8 relevant circumstances including: (1) the nature of the 9 hearing; (2) whether the hearing was instigated by, or for the 10 benefit of a particular party or parties; (3) whether there is 11 a successful party on the merits of the proceeding; and (4) the 12 relative levels of participation by the parties.

13 (b) For purposes of this subsection (5) costs incurred 14 shall mean the hearing officer fees, court reporter fees, and 15 travel expenses of Department of Insurance officers and 16 employees; provided however, that costs incurred shall not 17 include hearing officer fees or court reporter fees unless the retained the services of 18 Department has independent 19 contractors or outside experts to perform such functions.

20 (c) The Director shall make the assessment of costs 21 incurred as part of the final order or decision arising out of 22 the proceeding; provided, however, that such order or decision 23 shall include findings and conclusions in support of the 24 assessment of costs. This subsection (5) shall not be construed 25 as permitting the payment of travel expenses unless calculated 26 in accordance with the applicable travel regulations of the

Department of Central Management Services, as approved by the 1 2 Governor's Travel Control Board. The Director as part of such 3 order or decision shall require all assessments for hearing officer fees and court reporter fees, if any, to be paid 4 5 directly to the hearing officer or court reporter by the party(s) assessed for such costs. The assessments for travel 6 7 expenses of Department officers and employees shall be 8 reimbursable to the Director of Insurance for deposit to the 9 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.

13 The Director shall charge and collect an annual (6) financial regulation fee from every domestic company for 14 15 examination and analysis of its financial condition and to fund 16 the internal costs and expenses of the Interstate Insurance 17 Receivership Commission as may be allocated to the State of Illinois and companies doing an insurance business in this 18 State pursuant to Article X of the Interstate Insurance 19 20 Receivership Compact. The fee shall be the greater fixed amount based upon the combination of nationwide direct premium income 21 22 and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium income or upon 23 admitted assets calculated under this subsection as follows:

24 (a) Combination of nationwide direct premium income25 and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium.

26 (i) \$150, if the premium is less than \$500,000 and

there is no reinsurance assumed premium; 1 2 (ii) \$750, if the premium is \$500,000 or more, but 3 less than \$5,000,000 and there is no reinsurance assumed premium; or if the premium is less than 4 \$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is less 5 than \$10,000,000; 6 7 (iii) \$3,750, if the premium is less than \$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is 8 9 \$10,000,000 or more; 10 (iv) \$7,500, if the premium is \$5,000,000 or more, 11 but less than \$10,000,000; 12 (v) \$18,000, if the premium is \$10,000,000 or more, but less than \$25,000,000; 13 (vi) \$22,500, if the premium is \$25,000,000 or 14 15 more, but less than \$50,000,000; (vii) \$30,000, if the premium is \$50,000,000 or 16 more, but less than \$100,000,000; 17 (viii) \$37,500, if the premium is \$100,000,000 or 18 19 more. 20 (b) Admitted assets. 21 (i) \$150, if admitted assets are less than \$1,000,000; 22 23 (ii) \$750, if admitted assets are \$1,000,000 or more, but less than \$5,000,000; 24 25 (iii) \$3,750, if admitted assets are \$5,000,000 or 26 more, but less than \$25,000,000;

1 (iv) \$7,500, if admitted assets are \$25,000,000 or 2 more, but less than \$50,000,000;

3 (v) \$18,000, if admitted assets are \$50,000,000 or 4 more, but less than \$100,000,000;

5 (vi) \$22,500, if admitted assets are \$100,000,000 6 or more, but less than \$500,000,000;

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

9 (viii) \$37,500, if admitted assets are 10 \$1,000,000,000 or more.

11 (c) The sum of financial regulation fees charged to the 12 domestic companies of the same affiliated group shall not 13 exceed \$250,000 in the aggregate in any single year and 14 shall be billed by the Director to the member company 15 designated by the group.

16 The Director shall charge and collect an annual (7)17 financial regulation fee from every foreign or alien company, except fraternal benefit societies, for the examination and 18 19 analysis of its financial condition and to fund the internal 20 costs and expenses of the Interstate Insurance Receivership 21 Commission as may be allocated to the State of Illinois and 22 companies doing an insurance business in this State pursuant to 23 Article X of the Interstate Insurance Receivership Compact. The fee shall be a fixed amount based upon Illinois direct premium 24 25 income and nationwide reinsurance assumed premium income in 26 accordance with the following schedule:

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(a) \$150, if the premium is less than \$500,000 and 1 2 there is no reinsurance assumed premium; (b) \$750, if the premium is \$500,000 or more, but less 3 than \$5,000,000 and there is no reinsurance assumed 4 5 premium; or if the premium is less than \$5,000,000 and the reinsurance assumed premium is less than \$10,000,000; 6 (c) \$3,750, if the premium is less than \$5,000,000 and 7 8 the reinsurance assumed premium is \$10,000,000 or more; 9 (d) \$7,500, if the premium is \$5,000,000 or more, but 10 less than \$10,000,000; 11 (e) \$18,000, if the premium is \$10,000,000 or more, but 12 less than \$25,000,000; (f) \$22,500, if the premium is \$25,000,000 or more, but 13 14 less than \$50,000,000; 15 (g) \$30,000, if the premium is \$50,000,000 or more, but 16 less than \$100,000,000; 17 (h) \$37,500, if the premium is \$100,000,000 or more. The sum of financial regulation fees under this subsection 18 19 (7) charged to the foreign or alien companies within the same 20 affiliated group shall not exceed \$250,000 in the aggregate in 21 any single year and shall be billed by the Director to the 22 member company designated by the group. 23 (8) Beginning January 1, 1992, the financial regulation fees imposed under subsections (6) and (7) of this Section 24

25 shall be paid by each company or domestic affiliated group 26 annually. After January 1, 1994, the fee shall be billed by

Department invoice based upon the company's premium income or 1 2 admitted assets as shown in its annual statement for the preceding calendar year. The invoice is due upon receipt and 3 must be paid no later than June 30 of each calendar year. All 4 5 financial regulation fees collected by the Department shall be paid to the Insurance Financial Regulation Fund. The Department 6 may not collect financial examiner per diem charges from 7 8 companies subject to subsections (6) and (7) of this Section 9 undergoing financial examination after June 30, 1992.

10 (9) In addition to the financial regulation fee required by 11 this Section, a company undergoing any financial examination 12 authorized by law shall pay the following costs and expenses 13 incurred by the Department: electronic data processing costs, 14 the expenses authorized under Section 131.21 and subsection (d) 15 of Section 132.4 of this Code, and lodging and travel expenses.

16 Electronic data processing costs incurred by the 17 Department in the performance of any examination shall be billed directly to the company undergoing examination for 18 payment to the Statistical Services Revolving Fund. Except for 19 20 direct reimbursements authorized by the Director or direct payments made under Section 131.21 or subsection (d) of Section 21 22 132.4 of this Code, all financial regulation fees and all 23 financial examination charges collected by the Department shall be paid to the Insurance Financial Regulation Fund. 24

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 1 2 Travel Control Board, except that out-of-state lodging and travel expenses related to examinations authorized under 3 Sections 132.1 through 132.7 shall be in accordance with travel 4 5 rates prescribed under paragraph 301-7.2 of the Federal Travel 301-7.2, for reimbursement 6 C.F.R. Regulations, 41 of 7 subsistence expenses incurred during official travel. All 8 lodging and travel expenses may be reimbursed directly upon the 9 authorization of the Director.

10 In the case of an organization or person not subject to the 11 financial regulation fee, the expenses incurred in any 12 financial examination authorized by law shall be paid by the 13 organization or person being examined. The charge shall be reasonably related to the cost of the examination including, 14 15 but not limited to, compensation of examiners and other costs 16 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.

24 (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.

6 (b) "Foreign company" means a company as defined in 7 Section 2 of this Code which is incorporated or organized 8 under the laws of any state of the United States other than 9 this State and in addition includes a health maintenance 10 organization and a limited health service organization 11 which is incorporated or organized under the laws of any 12 state of the United States other than this State.

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

16 (d) "Fraternal benefit society" means a corporation,
17 society, order, lodge or voluntary association as defined
18 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.

23 "Burial society" means (f) person, firm, а 24 corporation, society or association of individuals 25 authorized by the Director to do business in this State 26 under the provisions of Article XIX of this Code.

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(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.
 (Source: P.A. 93-32, eff. 7-1-03; 93-1083, eff. 2-7-05.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 7 becoming law.