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Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend section 44-322, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change a filing
- 3 requirement; and to repeal the original section.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 44-322, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 44-322 (1)(a)(i) Every insurance company holding a
- 4 certificate of authority to transact the business of insurance in
- 5 this state shall file with the director or, if required by the
- 6 director, with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners,
- 7 on or before March 1 of each year, an annual financial statement for
- 8 the year ending December 31 immediately preceding on forms prescribed
- 9 by the director which conform substantially to the forms adopted by
- 10 the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, except that
- 11 fees, premium tax payments, and other payments associated with such
- 12 filings shall be paid to the director.
- 13 (ii) The financial statement shall be prepared in
- 14 accordance with annual statement instructions and accounting
- 15 practices and procedures manuals as prescribed by the director which
- 16 conform substantially to the annual statement instructions and the
- 17 Accounting Practices and Procedures Manuals adopted by the National
- 18 Association of Insurance Commissioners.
- 19 (iii) The salaries and compensation of the officers and
- 20 any other information required by the director shall be filed with
- 21 the director.
- 22 <u>(iv) (iii) Every</u> insurance company subject to this
- 23 section shall make such other periodic financial filings as the
- 24 director may reasonably require.
- 25 (b)(i) Within seven days after the failure of an

1 insurance company to comply with the requirements of subdivision (1)

2 (a) of this section, the director shall notify the insurance company

3 of such failure.

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(ii) Subject to subdivision (1)(b)(iii) of this section, 4 5 if an insurance company fails to comply with the requirements of subdivision (1)(a) of this section and any rules and regulations 6 7 adopted and promulgated under such subdivision and any orders issued 8 under such subdivision, (A) such insurance company shall forfeit be fined one hundred dollars for each day thereafter such failure 9 continues and the insurance company continues to transact any 10 business of insurance and (B) in addition to the forfeiture fine 11 12 required under subdivision (1)(b)(ii)(A) of this section, 13 director may suspend or refuse to renew the certificate of authority of the insurance company until it has complied with the requirements 14 15 of subdivision (1)(a) of this section and any rules and regulations adopted and promulgated under such subdivision and any orders issued 16 under such subdivision. All such forfeitures collected by the 17 director shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the 18 permanent school fund. The director shall remit any fines collected 19 20 under this section to the State Treasurer for distribution in accordance with Article VII, section 5, of the Constitution of 21 22 Nebraska.

(iii) For good and sufficient cause shown, the director

may grant a reasonable extension of time not to exceed thirty days

within which the financial statement may be filed as required under

1 subdivision (1)(a) of this section without the forfeiture fine

- 2 required under subdivision (1)(b)(ii)(A) of this section and without
- 3 any suspension or refusal to renew authorized under subdivision (1)
- 4 (b)(ii)(B) of this section.
- 5 (2) Every insurance company holding a certificate of
- 6 authority to transact the business of insurance in this state shall
- 7 participate in the National Association of Insurance Commissioners
- 8 Insurance Regulatory Information System, including the payment of all
- 9 fees and charges of such system, except as exempted by the director.
- 10 Each participating insurance company shall file with the National
- 11 Association of Insurance Commissioners on or before March 1 of each
- 12 year a copy of its annual financial statement along with any
- 13 additional filings required by the director for the immediately
- 14 preceding year. The financial statement so filed shall be in the same
- 15 format and scope as that required by subsection (1) of this section
- 16 and shall include a signed jurat page and actuarial certification
- 17 except as exempted by the director. Each participating insurance
- 18 company shall file with the National Association of Insurance
- 19 Commissioners any amendments and addendums to the financial statement
- 20 and annual and quarterly financial statement information in computer
- 21 readable format as required by the Insurance Regulatory Information
- 22 System.
- Sec. 2. Original section 44-322, Reissue Revised Statutes
- 24 of Nebraska, is repealed.