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11 applicability of statute; requiring certain report; specifying report details; requiring Liquidity Stress	
12 Test; amending 36 O.S. 2021, Section 1640, which relates to confidentiality of documents and other	
13 information; updating citations; clarifying certain documents, materials, or other information is	
14 proprietary and contains trade secrets; directing commissioner to maintain the confidentiality of	
15 certain information; and providing an effective date.	
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:	
19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2021, Section 1631	, is
20 amended to read as follows:	
21 Section 1631. As used in this act, the following terms	shall
22 have these meanings unless the context shall otherwise requi	re:
23 1. "Affiliate of" or person "affiliated with" a specific	c person
24 means a person that directly, or indirectly through one or ma	

1 intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common 2 control with, the person specified;

2. "Commissioner" means the Insurance Commissioner of the State 3 4 of Oklahoma, the Commissioner's deputies, or the Insurance 5 Department, as appropriate;

6 3. "Control" includes the terms "controlling", "controlled by" 7 and "under common control with" and means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the 8 9 management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership 10 of voting securities, by contract other than a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or otherwise, unless the power 11 12 is the result of an official position or corporate office held by 13 the person. Control shall be presumed to exist if any person, 14 directly or indirectly, owns, controls, holds with the power to 15 vote, or holds proxies representing, ten percent (10%) or more of 16 the voting securities of any other person. This presumption may be 17 rebutted by a showing made in the manner provided by subsection K of 18 Section $\frac{1}{2}$ 1635 of this act title that control does not exist in 19 fact. The Commissioner may determine, after furnishing all persons 20 in interest notice and opportunity to be heard and making specific 21 findings of fact to support the determination that control exists in 22 fact, notwithstanding the absence of a presumption to that effect; 23 4. "Group-wide supervisor" means the regulatory official 24

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authorized to engage in conducting and coordinating group-wide

1 supervision activities who is determined or acknowledged by the 2 Commissioner under Section 9 <u>1639</u> of this act <u>title</u> to have 3 sufficient significant contacts with the internationally active 4 insurance group;

5 5. <u>"Group Capital Calculation Instructions" means the group</u> 6 <u>capital calculation instructions as adopted by the NAIC and as</u> 7 <u>amended by the NAIC from time to time in accordance with the</u> 8 procedures adopted by the NAIC;

9 <u>6.</u> "Insurance holding company system" means an insurance 10 holding company system consisting of two or more affiliated persons, 11 one or more of which is an insurer;

12 6. 7. "Insurer" has the same meaning as set forth in Section 13 103 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes, except that it shall not 14 include agencies, authorities or instrumentalities of the United 15 States, its possessions and territories, the Commonwealth of Puerto 16 Rico, the District of Columbia, or a state or political subdivision 17 of a state;

18 7. 8. "Internationally active insurance group" means an 19 insurance holding company system that:

a. includes an insurer registered under Section 5 1635 of this act title, and

22 b. meets the following criteria:

(1) premiums written in at least three countries,

- 1 (2) the percentage of gross premiums written outside 2 the United States is at least ten percent (10%) of the insurance holding company system's total 3 4 gross written premiums, and
- 5 (3) based on a three-year rolling average, the total assets of the insurance holding company system 6 7 are at least Fifty Billion Dollars (\$50,000,000,000.00) or the total gross written 8 9 premiums of the insurance holding company system 10 are at least Ten Billion Dollars 11

(\$10,000,000,000.00);

12 8. 9. "Enterprise risk" means any activity, circumstance, event 13 or series of events involving one or more affiliates of an insurer 14 that, if not remedied promptly, is likely to have a material adverse 15 effect upon the financial condition or liquidity of the insurer or 16 its insurance holding company system as a whole, including, but not 17 limited to, anything that would cause the insurer's risk-based 18 capital to fall into company action level as set forth in the Risk-19 based Capital for Insurers Act provided in Sections 1521 through 20 1533 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statues, or would cause the insurer 21 to be in hazardous financial condition pursuant to rules promulgated 22 by the Insurance Department;

23 9. 10. "NAIC" means the National Association of Insurance 24 Commissioners;

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1	11. "NAIC Liquidity Stress Test Framework" means a separate
2	NAIC publication which includes a history of the NAIC's development
3	of regulatory Liquidity Stress Testing, the Scope Criteria
4	applicable for a specific data year, and the Liquidity Stress Test
5	instructions and reporting templates for a specific data year, such
6	Scope Criteria, instructions and reporting template being as adopted
7	by the NAIC and as amended by the NAIC from time to time in
8	accordance with the procedures adopted by the NAIC;
9	<u>12.</u> "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited
10	liability company, a partnership, an association, a joint stock
11	company, a trust, an unincorporated organization, any similar entity
12	or any combination of the foregoing acting in concert, but shall not
13	include any joint venture partnership exclusively engaged in owning,
14	managing, leasing or developing real or tangible personal property;
15	10. 13. "Scope Criteria" means, as detailed in the NAIC
16	Liquidity Stress Framework, the designated exposure bases along with
17	minimum magnitudes thereof for the specified data year, used to
18	establish a preliminary list of insurers considered scoped into the
19	NAIC Liquidity Stress Test Framework for that data year;
20	14. "Securityholder" of a specified person means one who owns
21	any security of such person, including common stock, preferred
22	stock, debt obligations and any other security convertible into or
23	evidencing the right to acquire any of the foregoing;

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1 <u>11. 15.</u> "Subsidiary" of a specified person means an affiliate 2 controlled by such person directly or indirectly through one or more 3 intermediaries; and

4 <u>12.</u> <u>16.</u> "Voting security" means any security convertible into
5 or evidencing a right to acquire a voting security.

6 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2021, Section 1635, is 7 amended to read as follows:

8 Section 1635. A. Every insurer which is authorized to do 9 business in this state and which is a member of an insurance holding 10 company system shall register with the <u>Insurance</u> Commissioner, 11 except a foreign insurer subject to registration requirements and 12 standards adopted by statute or regulation in the jurisdiction of 13 its domicile which are substantially similar to those contained in:

14 1. This section;

15 2. Paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 6 <u>1636</u> of this act
16 <u>title</u> and subsections B and D of Section 6 of this act; and

17 3. Either paragraph 2 of subsection A of Section 6 of this act 18 or a provision such as the following: Each registered insurer shall 19 keep current the information required to be disclosed in its 20 registration statement by reporting all material changes or 21 additions within fifteen (15) days after the end of the month in 22 which it learns of each change or addition; provided, however, that 23 subject to subsection B of Section 6 1636 of this act title, each 24 registered insurer shall so report all dividends and other

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1 distributions to shareholders within two (2) business days following
2 the declaration thereof.

Any insurer which is subject to registration under this section 3 shall register within fifteen (15) days after it becomes subject to 4 5 registration, and annually thereafter by May 1 of each year for the previous calendar year, unless the Commissioner for good cause shown 6 7 extends the time for registration, and then within the extended The Commissioner may require any insurer authorized to do 8 time. 9 business in the state which is a member of an insurance holding 10 company system, and which is not subject to registration under this 11 section, to furnish a copy of the registration statement, the 12 summary specified in subsection C of this section or other 13 information filed by the insurance company with the insurance 14 regulatory authority of its domiciliary jurisdiction.

B. Every insurer subject to registration shall file the registration statement with the Commissioner on a form and in a format prescribed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), which shall contain the following current information:

The capital structure, general financial condition,
 ownership and management of the insurer and any person controlling
 the insurer;

23 2. The identity and relationship of every member of the24 insurance holding company system;

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1 3. The following agreements in force, and transactions 2 currently outstanding or which have occurred during the last calendar year between the insurer and its affiliates: 3 4 loans, other investments, or purchases, sales or a. 5 exchanges of securities of the affiliates by the insurer or of the insurer by its affiliates, 6 7 b. purchases, sales or exchange of assets, transactions not in the ordinary course of business, 8 с. 9 d. guarantees or undertakings for the benefit of an affiliate which result in an actual contingent 10 11 exposure of the insurer's assets to liability, other 12 than insurance contracts entered into in the ordinary 13 course of the insurer's business, 14 all management agreements, service contracts and all e. 15 cost-sharing arrangements, 16 f. reinsurance agreements, 17 dividends and other distributions to shareholders, and a. 18 consolidated tax allocation agreements; h. 19 Any pledge of the insurer's stock, including stock of any 4. 20 subsidiary or controlling affiliate, for a loan made to any member 21 of the insurance holding company system; 22 If requested by the Commissioner, the insurer shall include 5. 23 financial statements of or within an insurance holding company 24 system, including all affiliates. Financial statements may include

but are not limited to annual audited financial statements filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. An insurer required to file financial statements pursuant to this paragraph may satisfy the request by providing the Commissioner with the most recently filed parent corporation financial statements that have been filed with the SEC;

8 6. Other matters concerning transactions between registered
9 insurers and any affiliates as may be included from time to time in
10 any registration forms adopted or approved by the Commissioner;

11 7. Statements that the insurer's board of directors oversees 12 corporate governance and internal controls and that the insurer's 13 officers or senior management have approved, implemented and 14 continue to maintain and monitor corporate governance and internal 15 control procedures; and

16 8. Any other information required by the Commissioner by rule 17 or regulation.

C. All registration statements shall contain a summary
outlining all items in the current registration statement
representing changes from the prior registration statement.

D. No information need be disclosed on the registration
statement filed pursuant to subsection B of this section if the
information is not material for the purposes of this section.
Unless the Commissioner by rule, regulation or order provides

otherwise, sales, purchases, exchanges, loans or extensions of credit, investments, or guarantees involving one-half of one percent (.5%) or less of an insurer's admitted assets as of December 31 next preceding shall not be deemed material for purposes of this section. <u>The definition of materiality provided in this subsection shall not</u> <u>apply for purposes of the Group Capital Calculation Instructions or</u> the Liquidity Stress Test Framework.

E. Subject to subsection B of Section 6 <u>1636</u> of this act <u>title</u>,
each registered insurer shall report to the Commissioner all
dividends and other distributions to shareholders within fifteen
(15) business days following the declaration thereof.

F. Any person within an insurance holding company system subject to registration shall be required to provide complete and accurate information to an insurer, where the information is reasonably necessary to enable the insurer to comply with the provisions of this act.

17 G. The Commissioner shall terminate the registration of any 18 insurer which demonstrates that it no longer is a member of an 19 insurance holding company system.

20 H. The Commissioner may require or allow two or more affiliated 21 insurers subject to registration to file a consolidated registration 22 statement.

I. The Commissioner may allow an insurer which is authorized todo business in this state and which is part of an insurance holding

1 company system to register on behalf of any affiliated insurer which 2 is required to register under subsection A of this section and to 3 file all information and material required to be filed under this 4 section.

J. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any insurer, information or transaction if and to the extent that the Commissioner by rule, regulation or order shall exempt the same from the provisions of this section.

9 Κ. Any person may file with the Commissioner a disclaimer of affiliation with any authorized insurer or a disclaimer may be filed 10 by the insurer or any member of an insurance holding company system. 11 12 The disclaimer shall fully disclose all material relationships and 13 bases for affiliation between the person and the insurer as well as 14 the basis for disclaiming the affiliation. A disclaimer of 15 affiliation shall be deemed to have been granted unless the 16 Commissioner, within thirty (30) days following receipt of a 17 complete disclaimer, notifies the filing party the disclaimer is 18 disallowed. In the event of disallowance, the disclaiming party may 19 request an administrative hearing, which shall be granted. The 20 disclaiming party shall be relieved of its duty to register under 21 this section if approval of the disclaimer has been granted by the 22 Commissioner, or if the disclaimer is deemed to have been approved. 23 L. 1. The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject 24 to registration shall also file an annual enterprise risk report.

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The report shall, to the best of the ultimate controlling person's knowledge and belief, identify the material risks within the insurance holding company system that could pose enterprise risk to the insurer. The report shall be filed with the lead state Commissioner of the insurance holding company system as determined by the procedures within the Financial Analysis Handbook adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

2. Except as provided below, the ultimate controlling person of 8 9 every insurer subject to registration shall concurrently file with 10 the registration an annual group capital calculation as directed by the lead state commissioner. The report shall be completed in 11 12 accordance with the NAIC Group Capital Calculation Instructions, 13 which may permit the lead state commissioner to allow a controlling 14 person that is not the ultimate controlling person to file the group 15 capital calculation. The report shall be filed with the lead state 16 commissioner of the insurance holding company system as determined 17 by the commissioner in accordance with the procedures within the 18 Financial Analysis Handbook adopted by the NAIC. Insurance holding 19 company systems described below are exempt from filing the group 20 capital calculation: 21 an insurance holding company system that has only one a. 22 insurer within its holding company structure, that 23 only writes business in its domestic state, and 24 assumes no business from any other insurer,

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1	<u>b.</u>	an insurance holding company system that is required
2		to perform a group capital calculation specified by
3		the United States Federal Reserve Board. The lead
4		state commissioner shall request the calculation from
5		the Federal Reserve Board under the terms of
6		information sharing agreements in effect. If the
7		Federal Reserve Board cannot share the calculation
8		with the lead state commissioner, the insurance
9		holding company system is not exempt from the group
10		capital calculation filing,
11	<u>c.</u>	an insurance holding company system whose non-United-
12		States group-wide supervisor is located within a
13		reciprocal jurisdiction as described in Section 5122
14		of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes that recognizes
15		the U.S. state regulatory approach to group
16		supervision and group capital,
17	<u>d.</u>	an insurance holding company system:
18		(1) that provides information to the lead state that
19		meets the requirements for accreditation under
20		the NAIC financial standards and accreditation
21		program, either directly or indirectly through
22		the group-wide supervisor, who has determined
23		such information is satisfactory to allow the
24		lead state to comply with the NAIC group

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1		supervision approach, as detailed in the NAIC
2		Financial Analysis Handbook, and
3		(2) whose non-United-States group-wide supervisor
4		that is not in a reciprocal jurisdiction
5		recognizes and accepts, as specified by the
6		commissioner in regulation, the group capital
7		calculation as the world-wide group capital
8		assessment for U.S. insurance groups who operate
9		in that jurisdiction,
10	<u>e.</u>	notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs c and
11		d of paragraph 2 of subsection L of this section, a
12		lead state commissioner shall require the group
13		capital calculation for U.S. operations of any non-
14		United-States based insurance holding company system
15		where, after any necessary consultation with other
16		supervisors or officials, it is deemed appropriate by
17		the lead state commissioner for prudential oversight
18		and solvency monitoring purposes or for ensuring the
19		competitiveness of the insurance marketplace,
20	<u>f.</u>	notwithstanding the exemptions from filing the group
21		capital calculation stated in subparagraphs a through
22		d of paragraph 2 of subsection L of this section, the
23		lead state commissioner has the discretion to exempt
24		the ultimate controlling person from filing the annual

1	group capital calculation or to accept a limited group
2	capital filing or report in accordance with criteria
3	as specified by the commissioner in regulation, and
4	g. if the lead state commissioner determines that an
5	insurance holding company system no longer meets one
6	or more of the requirements for an exemption from
7	filing the group capital calculation under this
8	section, the insurance holding company system shall
9	file the group capital calculation at the next annual
10	filing date unless given an extension by the lead
11	state commissioner based on reasonable grounds shown;
12	3. The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to
13	registration and also scoped into the NAIC Liquidity Stress Test
14	Framework shall file the results of a specific year's Liquidity
15	Stress Test. The filing shall be made to the lead state insurance
16	commissioner of the insurance holding company system as determined
17	by the procedures within the Financial Analysis Handbook adopted by
18	the NAIC:
19	a. the NAIC Liquidity Stress Test Framework includes
20	Scope Criteria applicable to a specific data year.
21	These Scope Criteria are reviewed at least annually by
22	the Financial Stability Task Force or its successor.

1	<u>t</u>	to be measured shall be effective on January 1 of the
2	<u>×</u>	year following the calendar year when such changes are
3	<u>a</u>	adopted. Insurers meeting at least one threshold of
4	<u>t</u>	the Scope Criteria are considered scoped into the NAIC
5	<u> </u>	Liquidity Stress Test Framework for the specified data
6	<u>×</u>	year unless the lead state insurance commissioner, in
7	<u>c</u>	consultation with the NAIC Financial Stability Task
8	E	Force or its successor, determines the insurer should
9	<u></u>	not be scoped into the Framework for that data year.
10	<u></u>	Similarly, insurers that do not trigger at least one
11	<u>t</u>	threshold of the Scope Criteria are considered scoped
12		out of the NAIC Liquidity Stress Test Framework for
13	<u>t</u>	the specified data year, unless the lead state
14	<u>i</u>	Insurance commissioner, in consultation with the NAIC
15	<u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u>	Financial Stability Task Force or its successor,
16		determines the insurer should be scoped into the
17	<u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u> <u></u>	Framework for that data year. Regulators wish to
18	<u>a</u>	avoid having insurers scoped in and out of the NAIC
19	<u>I</u>	Liquidity Stress Test Framework on a frequent basis.
20	<u> </u>	The lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation
21	<u><u>w</u></u>	with the Financial Stability Task Force or its
22	<u>s</u>	successor, will assess this concern as part of the
23		determination for an insurer, and
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1 the performance of, and filing of the results from, a b. 2 specific year's Liquidity Stress Test shall comply with the NAIC Liquidity Stress Test Framework's 3 4 instructions and reporting templates for that year and 5 any lead state insurance commissioner determinations, in consultation with the Financial Stability Task 6 7 Force or its successor, provided within the Framework. The failure to file a registration statement or any summary 8 М. 9 of the registration statement or enterprise risk filing required by 10 this section within the time specified for filing shall be a violation of this section. 11 12 AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2021, Section 1640, is SECTION 3. 13 amended to read as follows: 14 Section 1640. A. Documents, materials or other information in 15 the possession or control of the Insurance Department that are 16 obtained by or disclosed to the Commissioner or any other person in 17 the course of an examination or investigation made pursuant to 18 Section 7 1637 of this act title and all information reported or 19 provided to the Insurance Department pursuant to paragraphs 12 and 20 13 of subsection B of Section $\frac{3}{2}$ 1633 of this act title, Section $\frac{5}{2}$ 21 1635 of this act title, Section 6 1636 of this act title, and 22 Section 11 1639 of this act title are recognized by this state as 23 being proprietary and containing trade secrets and shall be 24 confidential by law and privileged, shall not be subject to open

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1 records, or freedom of information, shall not be subject to subpoena, and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in 2 evidence in any private civil action. However, the Commissioner is 3 authorized to use the documents, materials or other information in 4 5 the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the Commissioner's official duties. The Commissioner shall not 6 7 otherwise make the documents, materials or other information public without the prior written consent of the insurer to which it 8 9 pertains unless the Commissioner, after giving the insurer and its 10 affiliates who would be affected thereby notice and opportunity to 11 be heard, determines that the interest of policyholders, 12 shareholders or the public will be served by the publication 13 thereof, in which event the Commissioner may publish all or any part 14 in such manner as may be deemed appropriate. 15 1. For purposes of the information reported and provided to the

16 Department of Insurance pursuant to paragraph 2 of subsection L of 17 Section 1635 of this title, the Commissioner shall maintain the 18 confidentiality of the group capital calculation and group capital 19 ratio produced within the calculation and any group capital 20 information received from an insurance holding company supervised by 21 the Federal Reserve Board or any U.S. group wide supervisor; and 22 2. For purposes of the information reported and provided to the 23 Department of Insurance pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection L of 24 Section 1635 of this title, the Commissioner shall maintain the

1 <u>confidentiality of the Liquidity Stress Test results and supporting</u> 2 <u>disclosures and any Liquidity Stress Test information received from</u> 3 <u>an insurance holding company supervised by the Federal Reserve Board</u> 4 and non-United-States group wide supervisors.

5 B. Neither the Commissioner nor any person who received 6 documents, materials or other information while acting under the 7 authority of the Commissioner or with whom such documents, materials 8 or other information are shared pursuant to this act shall be 9 permitted or required to testify in any private civil action 10 concerning any confidential documents, materials or information 11 subject to subsection A of this section.

12 C. In order to assist in the performance of the Commissioner's 13 duties, the Commissioner:

14 May share documents, materials or other information, 1. 15 including the confidential and privileged documents, materials or 16 information subject to subsection A of this section, including 17 proprietary and trade secret documents and materials, with other 18 state, federal and international regulatory agencies, with the 19 National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) and its 20 affiliates and subsidiaries, with any third-party consultants 21 designated by the Commissioner, and with state, federal and 22 international law enforcement authorities, including members of any 23 supervisory college described in Section 8 1638 of this act title, provided that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the 24

1 confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material or 2 other information, and has verified in writing the legal authority 3 to maintain confidentiality;

4 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1 of this subsection, may only 5 share confidential and privileged documents, material or information reported pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection L of Section 5 1635 6 7 of this act title with Commissioners of states having statutes or regulations substantially similar to subsection A of this section 8 9 and who have agreed in writing not to disclose such information; 10 May receive documents, materials or information, including 3. 11 otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials or 12 information, including proprietary and trade-secret information, 13 from the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries and from 14 regulatory and law enforcement officials of other foreign or 15 domestic jurisdictions, and shall maintain as confidential or 16 privileged any document, material or information received with 17 notice or the understanding that it is confidential or privileged 18 under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document, material or information; and 19

4. Shall enter into written agreements with the NAIC <u>and any</u>
<u>third-party consultant designated by the commissioner</u> governing
sharing and use of information provided pursuant to this act
consistent with this subsection that shall:

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1 specify procedures an and protocols regarding the a. 2 confidentiality and security of information shared with the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or a 3 4 third-party consultant designated by the Commissioner 5 pursuant to this act, including procedures and protocols for sharing by the NAIC with other state, 6 7 federal or international regulators. The agreement shall provide that the recipient agrees in writing to 8 9 maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the documents, materials or other information and has 10 verified in writing the legal authority to maintain 11 12 such confidentiality, 13 b. specify that ownership of information shared with the 14 NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or a third-15 party consultant pursuant to this act remains with the 16 Commissioner and the NAIC's or a third-party 17 consultant's, as designated by the Commissioner, use 18 of the information is subject to the direction of the 19 Commissioner, 20 excluding documents, material or information reported с. 21 pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection L of Section 22 1635 of this title, prohibit the NAIC or third-party 23 consultant designated by the Commissioner from storing 24 the information shared pursuant to this act in a

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 permanent database after the underlying analysis is

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 completed,
 - <u>d.</u> require prompt notice to be given to an insurer whose confidential information in the possession of the NAIC <u>or a third-party consultant designated by the</u> <u>Commissioner</u> pursuant to this act is subject to a request or subpoena to the NAIC <u>or a third-party</u> <u>consultant designated by the Commissioner</u> for disclosure or production, and

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11 require the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries e. 12 or a third-party consultant designated by the 13 Commissioner to consent to intervention by an insurer 14 in any judicial or administrative action in which the 15 NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or a third-16 party consultant designated by the Commissioner may be 17 required to disclose confidential information about 18 the insurer shared with the NAIC and its affiliates 19 and subsidiaries or a third-party consultant 20 designated by the Commissioner pursuant to this act. 21 f. for documents, material or information reported 22 pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection L of Section 23 1635 of this act, in the case of an agreement 24 involving a third-party consultant, provide for

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notification of the identity of the consultant to the applicable insurers.

D. The sharing of information by the Commissioner pursuant to this act shall not constitute a delegation of regulatory authority or rulemaking, and the Commissioner is solely responsible for the administration, execution and enforcement of the provisions of this act.

8 E. No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of 9 confidentiality in the documents, materials or information shall 10 occur as a result of disclosure to the Commissioner under this 11 section or as a result of sharing as authorized in subsection C of 12 this section.

F. Documents, materials or other information in the possession or control of the NAIC <u>or a third-party consultant designated by the</u> <u>Commissioner</u> pursuant to this act shall be confidential by law and privileged, shall not be subject to open records or freedom of information, shall not be subject to subpoena, and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action.

20 <u>G. The group capital calculation and resulting group capital</u> 21 ratio required under paragraph 2 of subsection L of Section 1635 of 22 this title and the Liquidity Stress Test along with its results and 23 <u>supporting disclosures required under paragraph 3 of subsection L of</u> 24 Section 1635 of this title are regulatory tools for assessing group

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1	risks and capital adequacy and group liquidity risks, respectively,
2	and are not intended as a means to rank insurers or insurance
3	holding company systems generally. Therefore, except as otherwise
4	may be required under the provisions of this title, the making,
5	publishing, disseminating, circulating or placing before the public,
6	or causing directly or indirectly to be made, published,
7	disseminated, circulated or placed before the public in a newspaper,
8	magazine or other publication, or in the form of a notice, circular,
9	pamphlet, letter or poster, or over any radio or television station
10	or any electronic means of communication available to the public, or
11	in any other way as an advertisement, announcement or statement
12	containing a representation or statement with regard to the group
13	capital calculation, group capital ratio, the Liquidity Stress Test
14	results, or supporting disclosures for the Liquidity Stress Test of
15	any insurer or any insurer group, or of any component derived in the
16	calculation by an insurer, broker, or other person engaged in any
17	manner in the insurance business would be misleading and is
18	therefore prohibited; provided however, that if any materially false
19	statement with respect to the group capital calculation, resulting
20	group capital ratio, an inappropriate comparison of any amount to an
21	insurer's or insurance group's group capital calculation or
22	resulting group capital ratio, Liquidity Stress Test result,
23	supporting disclosures for the Liquidity Stress Test, or an
24	inappropriate comparison of any amount to an insurer's or insurance

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1	group's Liquidity Stress Test result or supporting disclosures is
2	published in any written publication and the insurer is able to
3	demonstrate to the Commissioner with substantial proof the falsity
4	of such statement or the inappropriateness, as the case may be, then
5	the insurer may publish announcements in a written publication if
6	the sole purpose of the announcement is to rebut the materially
7	false statement.
8	SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.
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