

LEGISLATIVE ACTION Senate House

The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Hays) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (9) is added to section 624.402, Florida Statutes, to read:

624.402 Exceptions, certificate of authority required.—A certificate of authority shall not be required of an insurer with respect to:

(9) A life or health insurer domiciled outside the United States covering only persons who, at the time of issuance or

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renewal, are nonresidents of the United States but residing legally in the United States if:

- (a) The insurer does not solicit business from residents of the United States;
- (b) The insurer registers with the office via a letter of notification upon commencing business from this state;
- (c) Annually, by March 1, the insurer provides the following information to the office:
- 1. The name of the insurer, the country of domicile, the address of the insurer's principal office and office in this state, the names of the owners of the insurer and their percentage of ownership, the names of the officers and directors of the insurer, the name, e-mail, and telephone number of a contact person for the insurer, and the number of individuals who are employed by the insurer or its affiliates in this state;
 - 2. The type of products offered by the insurer;
- 3. A statement from the applicable regulatory body of the insurer's domicile certifying that the insurer is licensed or registered in that domicile; and
- 4. A copy of the filings required by the insurer's domicile;
- (d) All certificates issued in this state showing coverage under the insurer's policy include the following statement in a contrasting color and at least 10-point type: "The policy providing your coverage and the insurer providing this policy have not been approved by the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation"; and
- (e) The insurer ceases to do business from this state and provides written notification to the office within 30 days after



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For purposes of this subsection, the term "nonresident" means a person who has not had his or her principal place of domicile in the United States for 180 days during the 365 days before purchasing or renewing the policy; registered to vote in any state; made a statement of domicile in any state; or filed for homestead tax exemption on property in any state.

Section 2. Section 628.901, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

628.901 Definitions "Captive insurer" defined. - As used in For the purposes of this part, the term: except as provided in s. 628.903, a "captive insurer" is a domestic insurer established under part I to insure the risks of a specific corporation or group of corporations under common ownership owned by the corporation or corporations from which it accepts risk under a contract of insurance.

- (1) "Association" means a legal association of nursing homes, hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, or continuing care retirement communities.
- (2) "Association captive insurer" means a company that insures risks of the member organizations of the association and their affiliated companies.
- (3) "Captive insurer" means a pure captive insurer or an association captive insurer domiciled in this state and formed or licensed under this part.
 - (4) "Industrial insured" means an insured that:
 - (a) Has gross assets in excess of \$50 million;
 - (b) Procures insurance through the use of a full-time

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employee of the insured who acts as an insurance manager or buyer or through the services of a person licensed as a property and casualty insurance agent, broker, or consultant in such person's state of domicile;

- (c) Has at least 100 full-time employees; and
- (d) Pays annual premiums of at least \$200,000 for each line of insurance purchased from the industrial insured captive insurer, or at least \$75,000 for any line of coverage in excess of at least \$25 million in the annual aggregate. The purchase of umbrella or general liability coverage in excess of \$25 million in the annual aggregate is deemed to be the purchase of a single line of insurance.
- (5) "Industrial insured captive insurer" is a captive insurer that:
- (a) Has as its stockholders or members only industrial insureds that the captive insurer insures, or has as its sole stockholder a corporation whose sole stockholders are industrial insureds that the captive insurer insures; and
- 1. Provides insurance only to the industrial insureds that are its stockholders or members, and affiliates thereof, or to the stockholders, and affiliates thereof, of its parent corporation; or
- 2. Provides reinsurance only on risks written by insurers of industrial insureds who are the stockholders or members, and affiliates thereof, of the captive insurer, or the stockholders, and affiliates thereof, of the parent corporation of the captive insurer;
- (b) Maintains unimpaired capital and surplus of at least \$20 million; and

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- (c) If licensed in this state before December 31, 1999, or if any subsidiary formed by the licensed insurer on or after December 31, 1999, has:
- 1. Gross assets in excess of \$10 million and procures insurance through the use of a full-time employee of the insured who acts as an insurance manager or buyer or through the services of a person licensed as a property and casualty insurance agent, broker, or consultant in such person's state of domicile;
 - 2. At least 25 full-time employees; and
- 3. Annual aggregate premiums for all insurance risks which total at least \$100,000.

As used in this subsection, the term "affiliate" means a person that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with one or more of the stockholders or members of an industrial insured captive insurer or one or more of the stockholders of the parent corporation of an industrial insured captive insurer.

- (6) "Pure captive insurer" means a company that insures the risks of its parent, affiliated companies, controlled unaffiliated businesses, or a combination thereof.
- Section 3. Section 628.903, Florida Statutes, is repealed. Section 4. Section 628.905, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 628.905 Licensing; authority.—In order to conduct insurance business in this state, a captive insurer must obtain a license from the office.
 - (1) A Any captive insurer, if when permitted by its charter

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or articles of incorporation, may apply to the office for a license to provide commercial property, commercial casualty, and commercial marine insurance. coverage other than workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance coverage, except that An industrial insured captive insurer may also apply for a license to provide workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance as set forth in subsection (5) (6).

- (2) A No captive insurer, other than an industrial insured captive insurer, may not shall insure or accept reinsurance on any risks other than those of its parent and affiliated companies.
- (3) In addition to information otherwise required by this code, each applicant captive insurer shall file with the office evidence:
- (a) Of the adequacy of the loss prevention program of its insureds.
- (b) That it intends to employ or contract with a reputable person or firm that possesses the appropriate expertise, experience, and character to manage the association captive insurer.
- (4) If an association captive insurer operates with separate cells or segregated accounts, a certificate of insurance used to satisfy financial responsibility laws shall be issued in an amount not exceeding the total funds in the segregated accounts or separate cells of each member organization of the association.
 - (5) (4) An industrial insured captive insurer:
- (a) Need not be incorporated in this state if it has been validly incorporated under the laws of another jurisdiction; -

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(b) (5) An industrial insured captive insurer Is subject to all provisions of this part except as otherwise indicated; and-

(c) (6) An industrial insured captive insurer May not provide workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance except in excess of at least \$25 million in the annual aggregate.

Section 5. Section 628.908, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

628.908 Principal place of business; annual meeting.-In order to conduct insurance business in this state, a licensed captive insurer must:

- (1) Maintain its principal place of business in this state; and
- (2) Annually hold in this state at least one board of directors' meeting; or, in the case of a reciprocal insurer, one subscriber's advisory committee meeting; or, in the case of a limited liability company, one managing board's meeting.

Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 628.909, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

628.909 Applicability of other laws.-

- (2) The following provisions of the Florida Insurance Code shall apply to captive insurers who are not industrial insured captive insurers to the extent that such provisions are not inconsistent with this part:
- (a) Chapter 624, except for ss. 624.407, 624.408, 624.4085, 624.40851, 624.4095, 624.425, and 624.426.
- (3) The following provisions of the Florida Insurance Code shall apply to industrial insured captive insurers to the extent



that such provisions are not inconsistent with this part:

(a) Chapter 624, except for ss. 624.407, 624.408, 624.4085, 624.40851, 624.4095, 624.425, 624.426, and 624.609(1).

Section 7. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

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193 And the title is amended as follows:

> Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

> > A bill to be entitled

An act relating to captive insurers; amending s. 624.402, F.S.; exempting certain life or health insurers covering nonresidents from having to obtain a certificate of authority; amending s. 628.901, F.S.; providing definitions; repealing s. 628.903, F.S., relating to the definition of the term "industrial insured captive insurer"; amending s. 628.905, F.S.; requiring a captive insurer to obtain a license and to file evidence that a person or firm with whom it intends to conduct business is reputable; providing that a certificate of insurance for an association captive insurer does not exceed the total funds of the association members; creating s. 628.908, F.S.; requiring a licensed captive insurer to maintain its principal place of business in this state and hold an annual meeting in this state; amending s. 628.909, F.S.; applying additional provisions of the insurance code to captive insurers; providing an effective date.