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HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT Committee on Finance.

HB12-1215 be amended as follows:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 4, line 17, strike "approved" and substitute
- 2 "approved ELIGIBLE".
- 3 Page 5, line 4, strike "APPROVED" and substitute "ELIGIBLE".
- 4 Page 5, line 5, strike "THE approved" and substitute "approved THE
- 5 ELIGIBLE".
- 6 Page 9, line 13, strike "10-3-209 OR 10-5-111," and substitute "10-3-209,
- 7 10-5-111, or 10-5-111.5,".
- 8 Page 10, after line 2 insert:
- 9 "SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-1-203, amend 10 (1) as follows:
- 11 10-1-203. Authority, scope, and scheduling of examinations.
- 12 (1) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee may conduct an
- 13 examination or investigation of any company as often as the
- 14 commissioner, in the commissioner's sole discretion, deems appropriate
- but shall, at a minimum, conduct a formal financial examination of every
- insurer licensed in this state not less frequently than once every five years;
- 17 except that this does not include approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurers
- regulated in accordance with article 5 of this title. In scheduling financial
- 19 or market conduct examinations and in determining their nature, scope,
- 20 and frequency, the commissioner shall consider such matters as the results
- of financial statement analyses and ratios, changes in management or
- 22 ownership, actuarial opinions, reports of independent certified public
- 23 accountants, complaint analyses, underwriting and claims practices,
- pricing, product solicitation, policy form compliance, market share analyses, and other criteria as set forth in the most recent available edition
- analyses, and other criteria as set forth in the most recent available edition of the examiners' handbook adopted by the national association of
- 27 insurance commissioners.
 - **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-3-1004, **amend** (1) (b) as follows:
- 30 10-3-1004. Defense of action by unauthorized insurer.
- 31 (1) Before any unauthorized foreign or alien insurer files or causes to be
- 32 filed any pleading in any action, suit, or proceeding instituted against it,
- 33 such unauthorized insurer shall either deposit, with the clerk of the court



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in which such action, suit, or proceeding is pending, cash or securities, or file with such clerk a bond with good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the court, in an amount to be fixed by the court sufficient to secure the payment of any final judgment which may be rendered in such action, or procure a certificate of authority to transact the business of insurance in this state, unless one or more of the following is applicable:

(b) At the time the insurer files any pleading in any action, suit, or proceeding instituted against it, the insurer is listed on the approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurers list prepared by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (1) of section 10-5-108;

SECTION 9. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-5-101.1, **amend** (1) (b) as follows:

- 10-5-101.1. Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly finds and declares that property and casualty insurance transactions with nonadmitted insurers are so affected with a public interest as to require regulation, taxation, supervision, and control of such transactions and matters relating thereto, as provided in this article, in order to:
- (b) Provide for the public, except for transactions related to the diligent effort requirements of this article for exempt commercial policyholders, as defined pursuant to section 10-4-1402 and rules adopted by the commissioner pursuant to that section, to the extent that insurance is not procurable from admitted insurers, orderly, reasonable, and regulated access to such insurance from approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurers through qualified, licensed, and supervised surplus line agents and brokers;

SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 10-5-104 as follows:

10-5-104. Endorsement of contract. Every insurance contract procured and delivered as a surplus line coverage pursuant to this article shall be initialed by or bear the name of the surplus line broker who procured it and shall have stamped upon it the following: "This contract is delivered as a surplus line coverage under the 'Nonadmitted Insurance Act'. The insurer issuing this contract is not licensed in Colorado but is an approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurer. There is no protection under the provisions of the 'Colorado Insurance Guaranty Association Act'."

SECTION 11. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-64-301, **amend** (1) (a) (I), (1) (a.5) (I), and (1) (b) as follows:

13-64-301. Financial responsibility. (1) As a condition of active licensure or authority to practice in this state, every physician or dentist, and every health care institution as defined in section 13-64-202, except as provided in section 13-64-303.5, that provides health care services



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 shall establish financial responsibility, as follows:

- (a) (I) If a dentist, by maintaining commercial professional liability insurance coverage with an insurance company authorized to do business in this state or an approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurer allowed to insure in Colorado pursuant to article 5 of title 10, C.R.S., in a minimum indemnity amount of five hundred thousand dollars per incident and one million five hundred thousand dollars annual aggregate per year; except that this requirement is not applicable to a dentist who is a public employee under the "Colorado Governmental Immunity Act", article 10 of title 24, C.R.S.
- (a.5) (I) If a physician, by maintaining commercial professional liability insurance coverage with an insurance company authorized to do business in this state or an approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurer allowed to insure in Colorado pursuant to article 5 of title 10, C.R.S., in a minimum indemnity amount of one million dollars per incident and three million dollars annual aggregate per year; except that this requirement is not applicable to a physician who is a public employee under the "Colorado Governmental Immunity Act", article 10 of title 24, C.R.S.
- (b) If a health care institution, by maintaining, as a condition of licensure, certification, or other authority to render health care services in this state, commercial professional liability insurance coverage with an insurance company authorized to do business in this state or an approved ELIGIBLE nonadmitted insurer allowed to insure in Colorado pursuant to article 5 of title 10, C.R.S., in a minimum indemnity amount of five hundred thousand dollars per incident and three million dollars annual aggregate per year; except that this requirement is not applicable to a certified health care institution that is a public entity under the "Colorado Governmental Immunity Act". In the event a health care institution does not have a commercial professional liability insurance policy in compliance with this paragraph (b), or the limits of professional liability insurance coverage are in excess of any self-insured retention amount, or there is a deductible other than zero dollars, the health care institution shall procure evidence that the commissioner of insurance has accepted and approved an alternative form of establishing financial responsibility in compliance with paragraph (c), (d), or (e) of this subsection (1), in accordance with applicable rules promulgated by the division of insurance. The health care institution shall furnish evidence of alternative financial responsibility compliance to the department of public health and environment as part of the health care institution's application for an initial or renewal license, certification, or other authority.".

1 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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