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A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 101 CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE REGULATION OF CONSUMER GOODS
- 102 SERVICE CONTRACTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,
- 103 MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.</u>)

The bill provides for changes to the regulation of consumer goods service contracts based on the model act of the national association of insurance commissioners. These contracts require the provider to perform repair, replacement, or maintenance on any consumer good covered by HOUSE 3rd Reading Unamended April 7, 2014

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the service contract. The bill requires that service contracts be in writing and disclose to the contract holder the terms and conditions of the contract, the covered consumer goods, the identity of the provider and any administrator appointed by the provider, procedures for cancellation of the contract by either the provider or the service contract holder, and whether the service contract is protected by reimbursement insurance coverage. Under this bill, a provider must provide the contract holder with a sample copy of the service contract prior to selling the contract, and must provide an actual copy of the contract to the contract holder within a reasonable time following sale of the contract.

The bill requires that a contract holder be allowed to void the contract within 20 days after the contract holder receives the contract unless the contract holder has already made a claim under the contract. Either a contract holder or a provider may cancel a contract at any time, in which case the provider must refund to the contract holder a pro rata share of the consideration paid to the provider minus a 10% administrative fee.

In order for a service contract provider to sell service contracts, the provider must demonstrate an ability to faithfully provide the services covered under the contract. The provider can do this by either obtaining reimbursement insurance coverage, maintaining a funded reserve account and placing a financial security deposit in trust with the commissioner of insurance, or demonstrating that the provider's company or parent company has a net worth of at least \$100,000,000.

A service contract provider must also adhere to record-keeping requirements, and must maintain those records for a period of at least one year after the specified coverage has expired.

The bill specifies that service contracts are not insurance, and service contract providers, as well as their agents and employees, are not required to be licensed under any other provisions of the state insurance laws. Service contract providers, with some exceptions, are not allowed to use terms descriptive of the insurance industry in their name. Service contract providers are also prohibited from making false and misleading statements. Lending institutions, sellers, and manufacturers are further prohibited from requiring a service contract as a condition of a loan or for the sale of any property.

The commissioner may discipline noncompliance with the bill through an administrative hearing and may seek a judicial remedy for enforcement. Any civil penalties assessed by the commissioner are limited to \$500 per violation, up to \$10,000 for all violations of a similar nature.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

1	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-4-1501, amend
2	(6) (b) (I) as follows:
3	10-4-1501. Definitions. As used in this part 15, unless the context
4	otherwise requires:
5	(6) (b) "Portable electronics insurance" does not include:
6	(I) A service contract or extended warranty that provides coverage
7	limited to the repair, replacement, or maintenance of property for the
8	operational or structural failure of property due to a defect in materials,
9	workmanship, accidental damage from handling, power surges, or normal
10	wear and tear GOVERNED BY PART 16 OF THIS ARTICLE;
11	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 16 to article
12	4 of title 10 as follows:
13	PART 16
14	CONSUMER GOODS SERVICE CONTRACTS
15	10-4-1601. Definitions. As used in this part 16, unless the
16	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
17	(1) "ADMINISTRATOR" MEANS THE PERSON WHO IS RESPONSIBLE
18	FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF ANY SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED BY A
19	PROVIDER OR WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY SUBMISSION REQUIRED BY
20	THIS PART 16 ON BEHALF OF A PROVIDER.
21	(2) "COMMISSIONER" MEANS THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE.
22	(3) "CONSUMER" MEANS A NATURAL PERSON WHO BUYS, OTHER
23	THAN FOR PURPOSES OF RESALE, ANY TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY
24	THAT IS DISTRIBUTED IN COMMERCE AND THAT IS NORMALLY USED FOR
25	PERSONAL, FAMILY, OR HOUSEHOLD PURPOSES AND NOT FOR BUSINESS OR
26	RESEARCH PURPOSES.
27	(4) "Consumer product" means any tangible personal

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PROPERTY THAT IS DISTRIBUTED IN COMMERCE AND IS NORMALLY USED
 FOR PERSONAL, FAMILY, OR HOUSEHOLD PURPOSES, INCLUDING ANY
 TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY INTENDED TO BE ATTACHED TO OR
 INSTALLED IN ANY REAL PROPERTY WITHOUT REGARD TO WHETHER IT IS
 SO ATTACHED OR INSTALLED.

6 (5) "MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT" MEANS A CONTRACT OF LIMITED
7 DURATION THAT PROVIDES FOR SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE ONLY AND
8 DOES NOT INCLUDE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT.

9 (6) "NONORIGINAL MANUFACTURER'S PARTS" MEANS
10 REPLACEMENT PARTS NOT MADE FOR OR BY THE ORIGINAL
11 MANUFACTURER OF THE PROPERTY.

12 (7) "PERSON" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION
13 2-4-401, C.R.S.

14 (8) "PREMIUM" MEANS THE CONSIDERATION PAID TO AN INSURER15 FOR A REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY.

16 (9) "PROVIDER" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS CONTRACTUALLY
17 OBLIGATED TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER UNDER THE TERMS OF THE
18 SERVICE CONTRACT.

19 (10) "PROVIDER FEE" MEANS THE CONSIDERATION PAID FOR A20 SERVICE CONTRACT.

(11) "REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE COMPANY" MEANS AN INSURER
 THAT ISSUES ANY REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY.

(12) "REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY" MEANS A POLICY OF
INSURANCE ISSUED TO A PROVIDER TO EITHER PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT
TO THE PROVIDER UNDER THE TERMS OF THE INSURED SERVICE CONTRACTS
ISSUED OR SOLD BY THE PROVIDER OR, IN THE EVENT OF THE PROVIDER'S
NONPERFORMANCE, TO PAY ON BEHALF OF THE PROVIDER ALL COVERED

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS INCURRED BY THE PROVIDER UNDER THE
 TERMS OF THE INSURED SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED OR SOLD BY THE
 PROVIDER.

4 (13) "RELATED SERVICE CONTRACT SELLER" MEANS ANY
5 EMPLOYEE OF THE PROVIDER WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MARKETING,
6 SELLING, OR OFFERING TO SELL SERVICE CONTRACTS ON THE PROVIDER'S
7 BEHALF.

8 (14) "SERVICE CONTRACT" MEANS A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT OF 9 A SPECIFIC DURATION, FOR A SEPARATELY STATED CONSIDERATION, TO 10 PERFORM THE REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, OR MAINTENANCE OF A CONSUMER 11 PRODUCT OR INDEMNIFY THE CONSUMER FOR THE REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, 12 OR MAINTENANCE OF A CONSUMER PRODUCT FOR THE OPERATIONAL OR 13 STRUCTURAL FAILURE OF THE CONSUMER PRODUCT DUE TO A DEFECT IN 14 MATERIALS, WORKMANSHIP, ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE FROM HANDLING, OR 15 NORMAL WEAR AND TEAR, WITH OR WITHOUT ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR 16 INCIDENTAL PAYMENT OF INDEMNITY UNDER LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES. 17 SERVICE CONTRACTS MAY PROVIDE FOR THE REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, OR 18 MAINTENANCE OF A CONSUMER PRODUCT FOR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM 19 POWER SURGES OR INTERRUPTION. SERVICE CONTRACTS ARE NOT 20 INSURANCE IN THIS STATE OR OTHERWISE REGULATED UNDER THIS TITLE. 21 (15) "Service contract holder" or "contract holder" 22 MEANS A PERSON WHO IS THE PURCHASER OR HOLDER OF A SERVICE

23 CONTRACT.

(16) "WARRANTY" MEANS A WARRANTY THAT IS MADE SOLELY BY
THE MANUFACTURER, IMPORTER, OR SELLER OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL
PROPERTY OR SERVICES WITHOUT CONSIDERATION, THAT IS NOT
NEGOTIATED OR SEPARATED FROM THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY AND IS

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INCIDENTAL TO THE SALE OF THE PRODUCT, AND THAT GUARANTEES
 EITHER:

3 (a) INDEMNITY FOR DEFECTIVE PARTS OR FOR DAMAGE RESULTING
4 FROM A MECHANICAL OR ELECTRICAL BREAKDOWN, INCLUDING LABOR; OR
5 (b) OTHER REMEDIAL MEASURES, SUCH AS REPAIR OR
6 REPLACEMENT OF THE PROPERTY OR REPETITION OF SERVICES.
7 10-4-1602. Exemptions. (1) THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE EXEMPT

8 FROM THIS PART 16:

9 (a) WARRANTIES;

10 (b) MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS;

11 (c) SERVICE CONTRACTS OFFERED BY PUBLIC UTILITIES ON THEIR
12 TRANSMISSION DEVICES TO THE EXTENT THEY ARE REGULATED BY THE
13 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION;

14 (d) SERVICE CONTRACTS SOLD OR OFFERED FOR SALE TO PERSONS
15 OTHER THAN CONSUMERS;

16 (e) SERVICE CONTRACTS ON TANGIBLE PROPERTY WHERE THE
17 TANGIBLE PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE SERVICE CONTRACT IS SOLD HAS A
18 PURCHASE PRICE OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR LESS, EXCLUSIVE OF SALES
19 TAX;

20 (f) PREOWNED HOME WARRANTY SERVICE CONTRACTS GOVERNED
21 BY PART 6 OF ARTICLE 61 OF TITLE 12, C.R.S.; AND

(g) MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE CONTRACTS GOVERNED BY ARTICLE
11 OF TITLE 42, C.R.S.

10-4-1603. Requirements for sale of consumer goods service
 contracts - definitions. (1) A PROVIDER MAY APPOINT AN
 ADMINISTRATOR OR OTHER DESIGNEE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OR ALL
 OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED BY THE

1 PROVIDER AND FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THIS PART 16.

2 (2) A PROVIDER SHALL NOT ISSUE, SELL, OR OFFER FOR SALE A
3 SERVICE CONTRACT UNLESS THE PROVIDER HAS:

4 (a) PROVIDED A RECEIPT FOR, OR OTHER WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF,
5 THE PURCHASE OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT TO THE CONTRACT HOLDER;
6 AND

7 (b) PROVIDED A COPY OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT TO THE SERVICE
8 CONTRACT HOLDER BEFORE OR WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME
9 AFTER THE DATE OF PURCHASE.

10 (3) UPON A CONSUMER'S REQUEST, A PROVIDER SHALL PROVIDE
11 THE CONSUMER WITH A COMPLETE SAMPLE COPY OF THE SERVICE
12 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS OR DIRECT THE CONSUMER TO A WEB
13 SITE CONTAINING A COMPLETE SAMPLE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF
14 THE SERVICE CONTRACT.

15 (4) (a) A PROVIDER SHALL ASSURE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE TO ITS
16 SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDERS BY COMPLYING WITH ONE OR MORE OF THE
17 FOLLOWING:

(I) INSURING ALL SERVICE CONTRACTS UNDER A REIMBURSEMENT
 INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED BY A LICENSED INSURER; OR

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(II) MAINTAINING, OR TOGETHER WITH ITS PARENT COMPANY
MAINTAINING, A NET WORTH OR STOCKHOLDERS'EQUITY OF AT LEAST ONE
HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS.

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26 (b) FOR THE PURPOSES OF SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF PARAGRAPH (a)
27 OF THIS SUBSECTION (4), A PROVIDER SHALL:

(I) UPON THE COMMISSIONER'S REQUEST, PROVIDE A COPY OF THE
 PROVIDER'S OR PROVIDER'S PARENT COMPANY'S MOST RECENT FORM 10-K
 OR FORM 20-F FILED WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
 COMMISSION; OR

5 (II) IF THE COMPANY DOES NOT FILE WITH THE FEDERAL
6 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, PROVIDE, UPON THE
7 COMMISSIONER'S REQUEST, A COPY OF THE COMPANY'S AUDITED
8 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SHOWING A NET WORTH OF THE PROVIDER OR ITS
9 PARENT COMPANY OF AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS; OR

(III) IF THE PROVIDER'S PARENT COMPANY'S FORM 10-K, FORM
20-F, OR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE FILED TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS
OF THIS SUBSECTION (4), AGREE TO GUARANTEE THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE
PROVIDER RELATING TO SERVICE CONTRACTS SOLD BY THE PROVIDER IN
THIS STATE.

15 (c) EXCEPT FOR THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS
16 SUBSECTION (4), THE COMMISSIONER SHALL REQUIRE NO OTHER FINANCIAL
17 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE CONTRACT PROVIDERS.

18 (5) (a) A PROVIDER MUST PERMIT THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER 19 TO VOID THE SERVICE CONTRACT BY RETURNING IT WITHIN TWENTY DAYS 20 AFTER THE DATE THE SERVICE CONTRACT IS MAILED TO THE SERVICE 21 CONTRACT HOLDER OR WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER DELIVERY IF THE SERVICE 22 CONTRACT IS DELIVERED TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER AT THE TIME 23 OF SALE. THE SERVICE CONTRACT IS VOID WHEN THE SERVICE CONTRACT 24 HOLDER RETURNS THE SERVICE CONTRACT TO THE PROVIDER, AND THE 25 PROVIDER SHALL REFUND TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER, OR CREDIT 26 THE ACCOUNT OF THE CONTRACT HOLDER, THE FULL PURCHASE PRICE OF 27 THE SERVICE CONTRACT.

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(b) A SERVICE CONTRACT MAY ESTABLISH A RETURN PERIOD
 GREATER THAN TWENTY DAYS.

3 (c) THE RIGHT TO VOID THE SERVICE CONTRACT IS NOT
4 TRANSFERABLE AND APPLIES ONLY TO THE ORIGINAL SERVICE CONTRACT
5 PURCHASER.

6 (d) THE RIGHT TO VOID THE SERVICE CONTRACT DOES NOT APPLY
7 IF A CLAIM HAS BEEN MADE PRIOR TO THE RETURN OF THE SERVICE
8 CONTRACT TO THE PROVIDER.

9 (e) IF A REFUND OF A SERVICE CONTRACT PROVIDER FEE IS NOT
10 PAID OR CREDITED WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER THE RETURN OF THE
11 SERVICE CONTRACT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (5), THEN A TEN PERCENT
12 PENALTY PER MONTH SHALL BE ADDED TO THE REFUND.

(6) (a) AFTER THE TIME SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS
SECTION, OR IF A CLAIM HAS BEEN MADE WITHIN THAT TIME, A SERVICE
CONTRACT HOLDER MAY CANCEL THE SERVICE CONTRACT. UPON
CANCELLATION, THE PROVIDER SHALL REFUND TO THE CONTRACT HOLDER
ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE UNEARNED PRO RATA PROVIDER FEE, LESS
ANY CLAIMS MADE.

(b) A PROVIDER MAY CHARGE A REASONABLE ADMINISTRATIVE
FEE, NOT TO EXCEED TEN PERCENT OF THE GROSS PROVIDER FEE PAID BY
THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER.

(7) (a) THE PROVIDER MAY CANCEL A SERVICE CONTRACT UPON
MAILING, AT LEAST FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF CANCELLATION, A
WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER AT THE CONTRACT
HOLDER'S LAST-KNOWN ADDRESS CONTAINED IN THE PROVIDER'S
RECORDS. THE NOTICE MUST STATE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
CANCELLATION AND THE REASON FOR THE CANCELLATION.

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(b) PRIOR NOTICE IS NOT REQUIRED IF THE REASON FOR
 CANCELLATION IS NONPAYMENT OF THE PROVIDER FEE, A MATERIAL
 MISREPRESENTATION BY THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER TO THE
 PROVIDER, OR A SUBSTANTIAL BREACH BY THE SERVICE CONTRACT
 HOLDER RELATING TO THE COVERED PRODUCT OR ITS USE.

6 (c) IF THE PROVIDER CANCELS A SERVICE CONTRACT FOR A
7 REASON OTHER THAN NONPAYMENT OF THE PROVIDER FEE, THE PROVIDER
8 SHALL REFUND TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER ONE HUNDRED
9 PERCENT OF THE UNEARNED PRO RATA PROVIDER FEE, LESS ANY CLAIMS
10 PAID.

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12 (8) (a) PROVIDER FEES COLLECTED ON SERVICE CONTRACTS ARE
13 NOT SUBJECT TO PREMIUM TAXES.

14 (b) PREMIUMS FOR REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES ARE15 SUBJECT TO APPLICABLE TAXES.

16 (9) (a) PROVIDERS, RELATED SERVICE CONTRACT SELLERS, AND
17 ADMINISTRATORS ARE EXEMPT FROM ANY LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF
18 THIS STATE SET FORTH IN THIS TITLE.

19 (b) (I) EACH PROVIDER OF SERVICE CONTRACTS SOLD IN 20 COLORADO SHALL REGISTER WITH THE COMMISSIONER. THE REGISTRATION 21 MUST CONTAIN THE PROVIDER'S NAME, FULL CORPORATE ADDRESS, 22 TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND THE NAME OF AN INDIVIDUAL CONTACT PERSON. 23 IN ADDITION, THE PROVIDER SHALL DESIGNATE AN AGENT FOR SERVICE OF 24 PROCESS IN COLORADO. THE PROVIDER SHALL GIVE THE COMMISSIONER 25 WRITTEN NOTICE OF ANY CHANGE IN THIS INFORMATION WITHIN THIRTY 26 DAYS AFTER THE CHANGE.

27 (II) UPON INITIAL REGISTRATION, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER,

EACH PROVIDER THAT REGISTERS PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH (b)
 SHALL PAY TO THE COMMISSIONER A FEE, SET BY THE COMMISSIONER, IN
 AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO DEFRAY THE COMMISSIONER'S DIRECT AND
 INDIRECT COSTS OF ADMINISTERING THIS PART 16 AND SUBJECT TO
 PERIODIC ADJUSTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-75-402, C.R.S.

6 (10) WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN 7 THIS PART 16, THE MARKETING, SALE, OFFERING FOR SALE, ISSUANCE, 8 MAKING, PROPOSING TO MAKE, AND ADMINISTRATION OF SERVICE 9 CONTRACTS BY PROVIDERS, RELATED SERVICE CONTRACT SELLERS, AND 10 ADMINISTRATORS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE. 11 10-4-1604. **Obligations of reimbursement insurance** 12 **companies.**(1) INSURERS ISSUING REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES 13 TO PROVIDERS ARE DEEMED TO HAVE RECEIVED THE PREMIUMS FOR THIS 14 INSURANCE UPON THE PAYMENT OF PROVIDER FEES BY CONSUMERS FOR 15 SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED BY THE INSURED PROVIDERS.

16 (2) IF THE PROVIDER DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERED SERVICE WITHIN
17 SIXTY DAYS AFTER PROOF OF LOSS BY THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER,
18 THE CONTRACT HOLDER MAY APPLY DIRECTLY TO THE REIMBURSEMENT
19 INSURANCE COMPANY.

(3) THIS PART 16 DOES NOT PREVENT OR LIMIT THE RIGHT OF A
REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE COMPANY THAT ISSUED A REIMBURSEMENT
INSURANCE POLICY TO SEEK INDEMNIFICATION OR SUBROGATION AGAINST
A PROVIDER IF THE REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE COMPANY PAYS OR IS
OBLIGATED TO PAY THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER SUMS THAT THE
PROVIDER WAS OBLIGATED TO PAY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE
SERVICE CONTRACT.

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(4) AN INSURER THAT ISSUED A REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE

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POLICY TO A PROVIDER SHALL NOT TERMINATE THE POLICY UNTIL A
 NOTICE OF TERMINATION HAS BEEN MAILED OR DELIVERED TO THE
 INSURED PROVIDER AS REQUIRED BY APPLICABLE LAW WITH A COPY OF THE
 NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE COMMISSIONER. THE TERMINATION OF A
 REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY DOES NOT REDUCE THE ISSUER'S
 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED BY PROVIDERS PRIOR TO
 THE DATE OF THE TERMINATION.

8 10-4-1605. Required disclosures - reimbursement insurance
9 policy. (1) REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES INSURING SERVICE
10 CONTRACTS ISSUED, SOLD, OR OFFERED FOR SALE MUST STATE THAT THE
11 REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE COMPANY SHALL EITHER:

12 (a) REIMBURSE OR PAY ON BEHALF OF THE PROVIDER ANY
13 COVERED SUMS THE PROVIDER IS OBLIGATED TO PAY UNDER THE SERVICE
14 CONTRACT; OR

15 (b) IN THE EVENT OF THE PROVIDER'S NONPERFORMANCE, PROVIDE
16 THE SERVICE THAT THE PROVIDER MUST PERFORM ACCORDING TO THE
17 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT.

18 10-4-1606. Required disclosures - service contracts.
19 (1) SERVICE CONTRACTS MARKETED, SOLD, OFFERED FOR SALE, ISSUED,
20 MADE, PROPOSED TO BE MADE, OR ADMINISTERED IN THIS STATE MUST BE
21 WRITTEN, PRINTED, OR TYPED IN CLEAR, UNDERSTANDABLE LANGUAGE
22 THAT IS EASY TO READ.

(2) SERVICE CONTRACTS INSURED UNDER A REIMBURSEMENT
INSURANCE POLICY MUST CONTAIN A STATEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE
FOLLOWING FORM: "OBLIGATIONS OF THE PROVIDER UNDER THIS SERVICE
CONTRACT ARE INSURED UNDER A SERVICE CONTRACT REIMBURSEMENT
INSURANCE POLICY." THE SERVICE CONTRACT MUST ALSO STATE THE

1 NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE COMPANY AND 2 DISCLOSE TO THE CONSUMER THAT IF THE SERVICE CONTRACT PROVIDER 3 DOES NOT PROVIDE A COVERED SERVICE WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER PROOF 4 OF LOSS BY THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER, THE CONTRACT HOLDER MAY 5 APPLY DIRECTLY TO THE REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE COMPANY. 6 (3) SERVICE CONTRACTS NOT INSURED UNDER A REIMBURSEMENT 7 INSURANCE POLICY MUST CONTAIN A STATEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE 8 FOLLOWING FORM: "OBLIGATIONS OF THE PROVIDER UNDER THIS SERVICE 9 CONTRACT ARE BACKED BY THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE 10 PROVIDER." 11 (4) (a) SERVICE CONTRACTS MUST IDENTIFY THE FOLLOWING: 12 (I) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PROVIDER; 13 (II) THE IDENTITY OF ANY ADMINISTRATOR, IF DIFFERENT FROM 14 THE PROVIDER; 15 (III) THE SERVICE CONTRACT SELLER; AND 16 (IV) THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER TO THE EXTENT THAT THE 17 NAME OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY THE 18 SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER. 19 (b) THE IDENTITIES OF THE PARTIES IN THIS SUBSECTION (4) ARE 20 NOT REQUIRED TO BE PREPRINTED ON THE SERVICE CONTRACT AND MAY 21 BE ADDED TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT AT THE TIME OF SALE. 22 (5) SERVICE CONTRACTS MUST STATE THE TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE 23 AND THE TERMS UNDER WHICH THE SERVICE CONTRACT IS SOLD. THE 24 PURCHASE PRICE IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE PREPRINTED ON THE SERVICE 25 CONTRACT AND MAY BE NEGOTIATED AT THE TIME OF SALE WITH THE 26 SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER. 27 (6) IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION,

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1 A SERVICE CONTRACT MUST:

2 (a) IDENTIFY THE CONSUMER GOODS COVERED BY THE CONTRACT;
3 (b) STATE THE EXISTENCE OF ANY DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, IF
4 APPLICABLE;

5 (c) SPECIFY THE MERCHANDISE AND SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED
6 AND ANY LIMITATIONS, EXCEPTIONS, OR EXCLUSIONS;

7 (d) STATE WHETHER THE USE OF A NONORIGINAL
8 MANUFACTURER'S PART IS ALLOWED;

9 (e) STATE ANY RESTRICTIONS GOVERNING THE TRANSFERABILITY
10 OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT, IF APPLICABLE;

(f) STATE THE TERMS, RESTRICTIONS, OR CONDITIONS GOVERNING
CANCELLATION OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT, EITHER BY THE PROVIDER OR
THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER, PRIOR TO THE TERMINATION OR
EXPIRATION DATE OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT;

(g) SET FORTH ALL OF THE OBLIGATIONS AND DUTIES OF THE
SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER, SUCH AS THE DUTY TO PROTECT AGAINST
ANY FURTHER DAMAGE AND ANY REQUIREMENT TO FOLLOW THE OWNER'S
MANUAL; AND

19 (h) STATE WHETHER OR NOT THE SERVICE CONTRACT PROVIDES
20 FOR OR EXCLUDES CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OR PREEXISTING
21 CONDITIONS, IF APPLICABLE.

22 10-4-1607. Prohibited acts. (1) (a) A PROVIDER SHALL NOT USE
23 IN ITS NAME:

(I) THE WORDS "INSURANCE", "CASUALTY", "SURETY", "MUTUAL",
OR ANY OTHER WORDS DESCRIPTIVE OF THE INSURANCE, CASUALTY, OR
SURETY BUSINESS; OR

27 (II) A NAME DECEPTIVELY SIMILAR TO THE NAME OR DESCRIPTION

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OF ANY INSURANCE OR SURETY CORPORATION, OR TO THE NAME OF ANY
 OTHER PROVIDER. THE WORD "GUARANTY" OR SIMILAR WORD MAY BE
 USED BY A PROVIDER.

4 (b) (I) This section does not apply to a provider that was
5 USING ANY OF THE PROHIBITED LANGUAGE IN ITS NAME PRIOR TO THE
6 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART 16.

7 (II) A PROVIDER USING THE PROHIBITED LANGUAGE IN ITS NAME
8 SHALL INCLUDE IN ITS SERVICE CONTRACTS A STATEMENT IN
9 SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM: "THIS AGREEMENT IS NOT AN
10 INSURANCE CONTRACT."

(2) A PROVIDER OR ITS REPRESENTATIVE SHALL NOT IN ITS SERVICE
CONTRACTS OR LITERATURE MAKE, PERMIT, OR CAUSE TO BE MADE ANY
FALSE OR MISLEADING STATEMENT, OR DELIBERATELY OMIT ANY
MATERIAL STATEMENT THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED MISLEADING IF
OMITTED.

16 (3) A MANUFACTURER OR SELLER OF ANY PRODUCT SHALL NOT
17 REQUIRE THE PURCHASE OF A SERVICE CONTRACT AS A CONDITION FOR THE
18 SALE OF ANY PROPERTY.

(4) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION LIMITS OR PROHIBITS A PERSON FROM
PURSUING ANY CLAIM, CAUSE OF ACTION, OR RIGHT AVAILABLE UNDER
COLORADO LAW.

10-4-1608. Required record-keeping. (1) A PROVIDER SHALL
KEEP ACCURATE ACCOUNTS, BOOKS, AND RECORDS CONCERNING
TRANSACTIONS REGULATED UNDER THIS PART 16.

25 (2) A PROVIDER'S ACCOUNTS, BOOKS, AND RECORDS MUST
26 INCLUDE:

27 (a) COPIES OF EACH TYPE OF SERVICE CONTRACT SOLD;

(b) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER
 TO THE EXTENT THAT THE NAME AND ADDRESS HAVE BEEN FURNISHED BY
 THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER;

4 (c) A LIST OF THE LOCATIONS WHERE SERVICE CONTRACTS ARE
5 MARKETED, SOLD, OR OFFERED FOR SALE; AND

6 (d) WRITTEN CLAIMS FILES CONTAINING AT LEAST THE DATES AND
7 DESCRIPTIONS OF ALL CLAIMS RELATED TO THE SERVICE CONTRACTS.

8 (3) EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION, A
9 PROVIDER SHALL RETAIN ALL RECORDS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION
10 FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR AFTER THE SPECIFIED PERIOD OF COVERAGE HAS
11 EXPIRED.

12 (4) THE RECORDS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE, BUT
13 ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE, MAINTAINED IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR OTHER
14 RECORD-KEEPING TECHNOLOGY. IF THE RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED IN
15 OTHER THAN HARD COPY, THE RECORDS MUST BE CAPABLE OF
16 DUPLICATION TO LEGIBLE HARD COPY AT THE REQUEST OF THE
17 COMMISSIONER.

18 (5) A PROVIDER DISCONTINUING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE SHALL
19 MAINTAIN ITS RECORDS UNTIL IT HAS DISCHARGED ALL OBLIGATIONS TO
20 CONTRACT HOLDERS IN THIS STATE.

10-4-1609. Enforcement provisions - rules. (1) (a) THE
COMMISSIONER MAY CONDUCT MARKET EXAMINATIONS OR FINANCIAL
EXAMINATIONS OF PROVIDERS UNDER SECTIONS 10-1-201 TO 10-1-205 TO
ENFORCE THIS PART 16.

(b) UPON THE COMMISSIONER'S REQUEST, THE PROVIDER SHALL
MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE COMMISSIONER ALL ACCOUNTS, BOOKS, AND
RECORDS CONCERNING SERVICE CONTRACTS SOLD BY THE PROVIDER THAT

ARE NECESSARY TO ENABLE THE COMMISSIONER TO REASONABLY
 DETERMINE THE PROVIDER'S COMPLIANCE OR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THIS
 PART 16 AND THE COMMISSIONER'S RULES ADOPT IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS
 PART 16.

5 (2) THE PROVIDER EXAMINED IN ANY FINANCIAL OR MARKET
6 CONDUCT EXAMINATION SHALL BEAR THE COST OF THE EXAMINATION IN
7 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10-1-205 (4).

8 (3) (a) IF A PROVIDER VIOLATES THIS PART 16, THE COMMISSIONER
9 MAY TAKE THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:

(I) ISSUE AN ORDER DIRECTING THE PROVIDER TO CEASE AND
DESIST FROM COMMITTING VIOLATIONS OF THIS PART 16;

(II) ISSUE AN ORDER PROHIBITING A SERVICE CONTRACT PROVIDER
FROM SELLING OR OFFERING FOR SALE SERVICE CONTRACTS IN VIOLATION
OF THIS PART 16;

15 (III) ISSUE AN ORDER IMPOSING A CIVIL PENALTY ON THE16 PROVIDER; OR

17 (IV) ANY COMBINATION OF THE ACTIONS SET FORTH IN
18 SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) TO (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a).

19 (b) ANY CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSED BY THE COMMISSIONER IS 20 LIMITED TO NOT MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER VIOLATION AND 21 NOT MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN THE AGGREGATE FOR ALL 22 VIOLATIONS OF A SIMILAR NATURE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH 23 (b), VIOLATIONS ARE OF A SIMILAR NATURE IF THE VIOLATIONS CONSIST OF 24 THE SAME OR SIMILAR COURSE OF CONDUCT, ACTION, OR PRACTICE, 25 REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF TIMES THE NONCOMPLIANT ACT, 26 CONDUCT, OR PRACTICE OCCURRED.

27 (c) A PERSON AGGRIEVED BY ANY ACTION TAKEN OR PENALTY

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1 ASSESSED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (3) MAY REQUEST A REVIEW IN 2 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10-1-205(4). 3 (4) (a) THE COMMISSIONER MAY BRING AN ACTION IN ANY COURT 4 OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION FOR AN INJUNCTION OR OTHER APPROPRIATE 5 RELIEF TO ADDRESS THREATENED OR EXISTING VIOLATIONS OF THIS PART 6 16. 7 (b) AN ACTION FILED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (4) MAY ALSO SEEK 8 RESTITUTION ON BEHALF OF PERSONS AGGRIEVED BY A VIOLATION OF THIS 9 PART 16 OR ORDERS OR RULES OF THE COMMISSIONER. 10 (5) THE COMMISSIONER MAY PROMULGATE RULES TO IMPLEMENT 11 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PART 16. 12 SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-11-101, amend 13 (2) as follows: 14 **42-11-101. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context 15 otherwise requires: 16 (2) "Motor vehicle" means any vehicle subject to registration 17 under section 42-1-102 (58) OR ANY POWERSPORTS VEHICLE AS DEFINED 18 IN SECTION 12-6-502 (10), C.R.S. 19 SECTION 4. Appropriation - adjustments to 2014 long bill. 20 (1) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, 21 out of any moneys in the division of insurance cash fund created in 22 section 10-1-103 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise 23 appropriated, to the department of regulatory agencies, for the fiscal year 24 beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$13,560 and 0.2 FTE, or so much 25 thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated for the implementation of this 26 act as follows: 27 (a) \$9,917 and 0.2 FTE to the division of insurance for personal 1 services; and

2 (b) \$3,643 to the executive director's office and administrative
3 services for the purchase of legal services.

4 (2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby 5 appropriated to the department of law, for the fiscal year beginning July 6 1, 2014, the sum of \$3,643, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for 7 the provision of legal services for the department of regulatory agencies 8 related to the implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated 9 funds received from the department of regulatory agencies out of the 10 appropriation made in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section.

(3) For the implementation of this act, the general fund
appropriation made in the annual general appropriation act to the
controlled maintenance trust fund created in section 24-75-302.5 (2) (a),
Colorado Revised Statutes, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, is
decreased by \$13,560.

16 SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date -17 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect January 1, 2015; except that, if a 18 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 19 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 20 within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general 21 assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless 22 approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 23 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on January 1, 2015, or on the date 24 of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor, whichever 25 is later.

26 (2) This act applies to service contracts issued on or after the27 applicable effective date of this act.