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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 71

## BY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ACQUISITIONS OF CONTROL AND INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTION 41-3802, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS AND TO REVISE A DEFINITION; AMENDING SECTION 41-3809, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATION, TO PROVIDE FOR A LIQUIDITY STRESS TEST, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 38, TITLE 41, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 41-3809A, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATION REPORTING; AMENDING SECTION 41-3810, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A PROVISION REGARDING STANDARDS OF AN INSURER WITHIN AN INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEM, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN STANDARDS OF AN INSURER WITHIN AN INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEM, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN AFFILIATE AGREEMENTS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 41-3816, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 41-3802, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 41-3802. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- (1) "Affiliate" of, or a person "affiliated" with, a specific person, means a person who directly or indirectly through one (1) or more intermediaries controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the person specified.
- (2) "Control," including "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with," means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract other than a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or otherwise, unless the power is the result of an official position with or a corporate office held by the person. Control shall be presumed to exist if any person, directly or indirectly, owns, controls, holds with the power to vote or holds proxies representing ten percent (10%) or more of the voting securities of any other person. This presumption may be rebutted by a showing made in the manner provided in section 41-3809(11), Idaho Code, that control does not exist in fact. The director may determine, after furnishing all persons in interest notice and opportunity to be heard and making specific findings of fact to support the determination, that control exists in fact, notwith-standing the absence of a presumption to that effect.
- (3) "Enterprise risk" means any activity, circumstance, event or series of events involving one (1) or more affiliates of an insurer that, if

not remedied promptly, is likely to have a material adverse effect upon on the financial condition or liquidity of the insurer or its insurance holding company system as a whole, including, but not limited to, anything that would cause the insurer's risk-based capital to fall into company action level as set forth in section 41-5403, Idaho Code, or would cause the insurer to be in hazardous financial condition as set forth by rule in IDAPA 18.01.66.

- (4) "Group capital calculation instructions" means the group capital calculation instructions as adopted and amended by the national association of insurance commissioners (NAIC) effective January 1, 2024, or any subsequent version adopted for use by the director by rule, administrative order, or bulletin, provided that no such instructions shall contradict any section of this chapter.
- (4) (5) "Group-wide supervisor" means the regulatory official authorized to engage in conducting and coordinating group-wide supervision activities who is determined or acknowledged by the director under section 41-3815A, Idaho Code, to have sufficient significant contacts with the internationally active insurance group.
- $\frac{(5)}{(6)}$  "Insurance holding company system" means two (2) or more affiliated persons, one (1) or more of whom is an insurer.
- (6) (7) "Insurer" has the same meaning as that set forth in section 41-103, Idaho Code, except that it shall not include agencies, authorities or instrumentalities of the United States, its possessions and territories, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia or a state or political subdivision of a state.
- $\frac{(7)}{(8)}$  "Internationally active insurance group" means an insurance holding company system that:
  - (a) Includes an insurer registered under section 41-3809, Idaho Code; and
  - (b) Meets the following criteria:

- (i) Premiums written in at least three (3) countries;
- (ii) The percentage of gross premiums written outside the United States is at least ten percent (10%) of the insurance holding company system's total gross written premiums; and
- (iii) Based on a three (3) year rolling average, the total assets of the insurance holding company system are at least fifty billion dollars (\$50,000,000,000) or the total gross written premiums of the insurance holding company system are at least ten billion dollars (\$10,000,000,000).
- (8) (10) "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a joint stock company, a business trust, an unincorporated organization, or any similar entity or any combination of the foregoing acting in concert, but shall not include any

joint venture partnership exclusively engaged in owning, managing, leasing or developing real or tangible personal property.

- (11) "Scope criteria" means the designated exposure bases along with minimum magnitudes thereof for the specified data year used to establish a preliminary list of insurers that are considered scoped into the NAIC liquidity stress test framework for that data year.
- (9) (12) "Security holder" means a person who owns any security of a specified person, including common stock, preferred stock, debt obligations and any other security convertible into or evidencing the right to acquire any of the foregoing.
- (10) (13) "Subsidiary" means a specified person who is an affiliate controlled by such person directly or indirectly through one (1) or more intermediaries.
- $\frac{(11)}{(14)}$  "Voting security" means any security convertible into or evidencing a right to acquire a voting security.
- SECTION 2. That Section 41-3809, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
  - 41-3809. REGISTRATION OF HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEM INSURERS.
  - (1) (a) Every insurer authorized to do business in this state and that is a member of an insurance holding company system shall register with the director, except a foreign insurer subject to registration requirements and standards adopted by statute or regulation in the jurisdiction of its domicile, which are substantially similar to those contained in this section and in:
    - (a) (i) Sections 41-3810(1), 41-3811 and 41-3812, Idaho Code; and (b) (ii) The provisions of section 41-3810(2), Idaho Code, or a provision such as the following: Each each registered insurer shall keep current the information required to be disclosed in its registration statement by reporting all material changes or additions within fifteen (15) days after the end of the month in which it learns of each change or addition.
  - (b) Any insurer that is subject to registration under this section shall register within fifteen (15) days after it becomes subject to registration, and annually thereafter for the year ending December 31 immediately preceding, on the due date provided for filing of audited financial reports, or, if the insurer is not subject to filing of audited financial reports, on June 1, unless the director, for good cause shown, extends the time for registration, and then within the extended time. The director may require any insurer authorized to do business in the state that is a member of an insurance holding company system, and which that is not subject to registration under this section, to furnish a copy of the registration statement, the summary specified in subsection (3) of this section or other information filed by the insurance company with the insurance regulatory authority of its domiciliary jurisdiction. Upon request of the insurer or of the insurance regulatory authority of another jurisdiction in which the insurer is authorized to transact insurance, the director at the insurer's expense shall furnish a copy of the registration statement or other information filed by a domestic insurer with the director pursuant to this chapter.

- (2) Every insurer subject to registration under this chapter shall file the registration statement with the director on a form and in a manner prescribed by the director. The registration statement shall contain the following current information:
  - (a) The capital structure, general financial condition, ownership and management of the insurer and any person controlling the insurer;
  - (b) The identity and relationship of every member of the insurance holding company system;
  - (c) The following agreements in force and transactions currently outstanding or that have occurred during the last calendar year between the insurer and its affiliates:
    - (i) Loans, other investments or purchases, sales or exchanges of securities of the affiliates by the insurer or of the insurer by its affiliates;
    - (ii) Purchases, sales or exchange of assets;
    - (iii) Transactions not in the ordinary course of business;
    - (iv) Guarantees or undertakings for the benefit of an affiliate that result in an actual contingent exposure of the insurer's assets to liability, other than insurance contracts entered into in the ordinary course of the insurer's business;
    - (v) All management agreements, service contracts and all costsharing arrangements;
    - (vi) Reinsurance agreements;

- (vii) Dividends and other distributions to shareholders; and
- (viii) Consolidated tax allocation agreements.
- (d) Any pledge of the insurer's stock, including stock of any subsidiary or controlling affiliate, for a loan made to any member of the insurance holding company system;
- (e) If requested by the director, the insurer shall provide to the director financial statements of or within an insurance holding company system, including all affiliates. Financial statements may include, but are not limited to, annual audited financial statements filed with the U.S. United States 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 section may satisfy the request by providing the director with the most recently filed parent corporation financial statements that have been filed with the SEC;
- (f) Other matters concerning transactions between registered insurers and any affiliates as may be included from time to time in any registration forms adopted or approved by the director;
- (g) Certification that the insurer's board of directors is responsible for and oversees corporate governance and internal controls and that the insurer's officers or senior management have approved, implemented and continue to maintain and monitor corporate governance and internal control procedures; and
- (h) Any other information required by the director by statute or rule.
- (3) All registration statements shall contain a summary outlining all items constituting changes from the prior registration statement.

(4) No information need be disclosed on the registration statement filed pursuant to subsection (2) of this section if the information is not material for the purposes of this section. Unless the director by rule 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 the December 31 of the year immediately preceding shall not be deemed material for purposes of this chapter.

- (5) Subject to section 41-3810, Idaho Code, each registered insurer shall report to the director all dividends and other distributions to shareholders within fifteen (15) business days following the declaration thereof.
- (6) 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 chapter.
- (7) The director shall terminate the registration of any insurer that demonstrates that it no longer is a member of an insurance holding company system.
- (8) The director may require or allow two (2) or more affiliated insurers subject to registration to file a consolidated registration statement.
- (9) The director may allow any insurer that is authorized to do business in this state and that is part of an insurance holding company system, to register on behalf of any affiliated insurer that is required to register under subsection (1) of this section and to comply with all filing requirements under this chapter.
- (10) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any insurer, information or transaction if and to the extent that the director by rule or order shall exempt the same from the provisions of this section. In considering whether to issue an exemption, the director may consider the following:
  - (a) The size of the insurer and all affiliates;
  - (b) The structure of ownership within the insurance holding company system;
  - (c) The nature and amounts of transactions within the insurance holding company system;
  - (d) The nature and complexity of the business of the insurer and affiliates; and
- (e) Any other factors the director deems appropriate. Prior to issuing an exemption, the director shall notify all other insurance regulators where the insurer or its affiliates hold a certificate of authority
- (11) Any person may file with the director a disclaimer of affiliation with any authorized insurer, or such a disclaimer may be filed by the insurer or any member of an insurance holding company system. The disclaimer shall fully disclose all material relationships and bases for affiliation between the person and the insurer as well as the basis for disclaiming the affiliation. A disclaimer of affiliation shall be deemed to have been granted unless the director, within thirty (30) days following receipt of a complete disclaimer, notifies the filing party that the disclaimer is disallowed. In the event of disallowance, the disclaiming party may request an administrative hearing pursuant to chapter 2, title 41, Idaho Code, which shall

be granted. The disclaiming party shall be relieved of its duty to register under this section if approval of the disclaimer has been granted by the director, or if the disclaimer is deemed to have been approved.

- (12) The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration shall also file an annual enterprise risk report. 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 director of the insurance holding company system as determined by the procedures within the financial analysis handbook adopted by the national association of insurance commissioners (NAIC).
  - (13) (a) Except as provided in this subsection, the ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration shall concurrently file with the registration an annual group capital calculation in accordance with the NAIC group capital calculation instructions. The lead state director may allow a controlling person that is not the ultimate controlling person to file the group capital calculation. The following insurance holding company systems shall be exempt from filing the group capital calculation:
    - (i) An insurance holding company system that has only one (1) insurer within its holding company structure, that only writes business in its domestic state, and that assumes no business from any other insurer;
    - (ii) An insurance holding company system that is required to perform a group capital calculation specified by the United States federal reserve board. If the calculation from the federal reserve board under the terms of information sharing agreements cannot be shared with the lead state director, the insurance holding company system is not exempt from the group capital calculation filing;
    - (iii) An insurance holding company system whose non-United States group-wide supervisor is located within a reciprocal jurisdiction as described in section 41-515(2)(f)(i)1., Idaho Code, that recognizes the United States state regulatory approach to group supervision and group capital; and
    - (iv) An insurance holding company system:
      - 1. That provides information to the lead state that meets the requirements for accreditation under the NAIC financial standards and accreditation program, either directly or indirectly through the group-wide supervisor, who has determined such information is satisfactory to allow the lead state to comply with the provisions of section 41-3815A, Idaho Code; and
      - 2. Whose non-United States group-wide supervisor that is not in a reciprocal jurisdiction recognizes and accepts, as specified by the director in regulation, the group capital calculation as the worldwide group capital assessment for United States insurance groups who operate in that jurisdiction.

- (b) The exemptions described in paragraphs (a) (iii) and (iv) of this subsection shall not prevent the lead state director from requiring the group capital calculation for United States operations of any non-United States-based insurance holding company system when it is deemed appropriate for prudential oversight and solvency monitoring purposes or for ensuring the competitiveness of the insurance market-place.
- (c) The lead state director may exempt the ultimate controlling person from filing the annual group capital calculation or accept a limited group capital filing as specified by the lead state director.
- (d) If an insurance holding company system no longer meets the requirements for an exemption, the insurance holding company system shall file the group capital calculation at the next annual filing date unless the lead state director grants an extension.
- $\underline{(14)}$  The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration who is also scoped into the NAIC liquidity stress test framework shall file the results of a specific year's liquidity stress test. The filing shall be made to the lead state director of the insurance holding company system.
  - (a) The NAIC liquidity stress test framework shall include scope criteria applicable to a specific data year. Insurers meeting at least one (1) threshold of the scope criteria shall be considered scoped into the NAIC liquidity stress test framework for the specified data year unless the lead state director determines the insurer should not be scoped into the framework for that data year.
  - (b) The performance of, and filing of the results from, a specific year's liquidity stress test shall comply with the instructions and templates of the NAIC liquidity stress test framework.
- (13) (15) The failure to file a registration statement or any summary of the registration statement or enterprise risk filing required in this section within the time specified for filing shall be a violation of the provisions of this section.
- SECTION 3. That Chapter 38, Title 41, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a  $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$ , to be known and designated as Section 41-3809A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:
- 41-3809A. GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATION REPORTING. (1) If an insurance holding company system under section 41-3809(13), Idaho Code, has previously filed the annual group capital calculation at least once, the lead state director may exempt the ultimate controlling person from filing the annual group capital calculation if:
  - (a) Annual direct written and unaffiliated assumed premiums, including international direct and assumed premiums but excluding premiums reinsured with the federal crop insurance corporation and federal flood program, are less than one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000);
  - (b) No insurers within the holding company structure are domiciled outside of the United States or one (1) of its territories;
  - (c) No banking, depository, or other financial entity that is subject to an identified regulatory capital framework is within the holding company structure;

- (d) The holding company system attests that there are no material changes in the transactions between insurers and non-insurers in the group that have occurred since the last filing of the annual group capital calculation; and
- (e) The non-insurers within the holding company system do not pose a material financial risk to the insurer's ability to honor policyholder obligations.
- (2) If an insurance holding company system has previously filed the annual group capital calculation, the lead state director may accept, in lieu of the group capital calculation, a limited group capital filing if the insurance holding company system has annual direct written and unaffiliated assumed premiums, including international direct and assumed premiums but excluding premiums reinsured with the federal crop insurance corporation and federal flood program, of less than one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) and:
  - (a) No insurers within the holding company structure are domiciled outside of the United States or one (1) of its territories;
  - (b) No banking, depository, or other financial entity that is subject to an identified regulatory capital framework is included; and
  - (c) The holding company system attests that there are no material changes in transactions between insurers and non-insurers in the group that have occurred since the last filing of the report and the non-insurers within the holding company system do not pose a material financial risk to the insurer's ability to honor policyholder obligations.
- (3) No exemption under this section may prevent the lead state director from requiring the ultimate controlling person to file an annual group capital calculation, at any time, if:
  - (a) Any insurer within the insurance holding company system is in a risk-based capital action level event as set forth in chapter 54, title 41, Idaho Code, or a similar standard for a non-United States insurer;
  - (b) Any insurer within the insurance holding company system meets one (1) or more of the standards of an insurer deemed to be in hazardous fi-
  - nancial condition as set forth in rule; or

- (c) Any insurer within the insurance holding company system otherwise exhibits qualities deemed hazardous to the insurance buying public based on unique circumstances, including but not limited to the type and volume of business written, ownership and organizational structure, federal agency requests, and international supervisor requests.
- (4) A non-United States jurisdiction is considered to recognize and accept the group capital calculation when:
  - (a) With respect to section 41-3809(13), Idaho Code:
    - (i) The non-United States jurisdiction recognizes the United States state regulatory approach to group supervision and group capital by providing confirmation that insurers and insurance groups whose lead state is accredited by the NAIC under the NAIC accreditation program shall be subject only to worldwide prudential insurance group supervision, including worldwide group governance, solvency and capital, and reporting, as applicable, by the lead state; or

- (ii) There are no United States insurance groups operating in a non-United States jurisdiction and such non-United States jurisdiction indicates formally in writing to the lead state, with a copy forwarded to the international association of insurance supervisors, that the group capital calculation is an acceptable international capital standard; and
- (b) The non-United States jurisdiction provides confirmation that information regarding insurers and their parents, subsidiaries, or affiliated entities, if applicable, shall be provided to the lead state in accordance with a memorandum of understanding or similar document between the director and such jurisdiction, including but not limited to the international association of insurance supervisors multilateral memorandum of understanding or other multilateral memoranda of understanding.
- (5) (a) The list of jurisdictions that recognize and accept the group capital calculation, an NAIC publication adopted and amended by the NAIC effective August 13, 2022, or any subsequent version adopted for use by the director by rule, administrative order, or bulletin, shall be the list of non-United States jurisdictions that recognize and accept the group capital calculation.
- (b) The list shall assist the lead state director in determining which insurers shall file an annual group capital calculation. The list shall clarify those situations in which a jurisdiction is exempted from filing pursuant to section 41-3809(13) (a) (iv), Idaho Code. To assist with a determination under section 41-3809(13) (b), Idaho Code, the list shall also identify whether a jurisdiction that is exempted pursuant to section 41-3809(13) (a) (iii) or (iv), Idaho Code, requires a group capital filing for any United States-based insurance group's operations in such non-United States jurisdiction.
- (c) If a non-United States jurisdiction no longer meets the requirements to recognize and accept the group capital calculation, the director may exclude the jurisdiction from the list of jurisdictions that recognize and accept the group capital calculation.
- SECTION 4. That Section 41-3810, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 41-3810. STANDARDS AND MANAGEMENT OF AN INSURER WITHIN AN INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEM. (1) Transactions within an insurance holding company system to which an insurer subject to registration is a party shall be subject to the following standards:
  - (a) The terms shall be fair and reasonable;
  - (b) Agreements for cost-sharing services and management shall include such provisions as required by  $\underline{\text{this chapter or}}$  rule promulgated by the director;
  - (c) Charges or fees for services performed shall be reasonable;
  - (d) Expenses incurred and payment received shall be allocated to the insurer in conformity with customary insurance accounting practices consistently applied;
  - (e) The books, accounts and records of each party to all such transactions shall be so maintained as to clearly and accurately disclose the

precise nature and details of the transactions, including such accounting information as is necessary to support the reasonableness of the charges or fees to the respective parties; and

- (f) The insurer's surplus regarding policyholders following any dividends or distributions to shareholder affiliates shall be reasonable in relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities and adequate to meet its financial needs-;
- (g) All records and data of the insurer held by an affiliate shall be and shall remain the property of the insurer, shall be subject to control of the insurer, shall be identifiable, and shall be segregated or readily capable of segregation, at no additional cost to the insurer, from all other persons' records and data. This includes all records and data that are otherwise the property of the insurer, in whatever form maintained, including but not limited to claims and claim files, policyholder lists, application files, litigation files, premium records, rate books, underwriting manuals, personnel records, financial records, or similar records within the possession, custody, or control of the affiliate. At the request of the insurer, the affiliate shall provide access to such records and data such that the director can: obtain a complete set of all records of any type that pertain to the insurer's business; obtain access to the operating systems on which the data is maintained; obtain the software that runs those systems either through assumption of licensing agreements or otherwise; and restrict the use of the data by the affiliate if it is not operating the insurer's business. The affiliate shall provide a waiver of any landlord lien or other encumbrance to give the insurer access to all records and data in the event of the affiliate's default under a lease or other agreement;
- (h) Premiums or other funds belonging to the insurer that are collected by or held by an affiliate shall be the exclusive property of the insurer and shall be subject to the control of the insurer. Any right of offset in the event an insurer is placed into receivership shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 33, title 41, Idaho Code.
- (2) The following transactions involving a domestic insurer and any person in its insurance holding company system, including amendments or modifications of affiliate agreements previously filed pursuant to this section, that are subject to any materiality standards contained in paragraphs (a) through (g) of this subsection, may not be entered into unless the insurer has notified the director in writing of its intention to enter into the transaction at least thirty (30) days prior thereto, or such shorter period as the director may permit, and the director has not disapproved it within that period. The notice for amendments or modifications shall include the reasons for the change and the financial impact on the domestic insurer. Informal notice shall be reported to the director within thirty (30) days after the termination of a previously filed agreement, for determination of the type of filing required, if any.
  - (a) Sales, purchases, exchanges, loans, extensions of credit, guarantees or investments, provided the transactions are equal to or exceed:
    - (i) With respect to non-life insurers, the lesser of three percent (3%) of the insurer's admitted assets or twenty-five percent

- (25%) of surplus regarding policyholders as of December 31 of the year immediately preceding;
- (ii) With respect to life insurers, three percent (3%) of the insurer's admitted assets as of December 31 of the year immediately preceding;
- (b) Loans or extensions of credit to any person who is not an affiliate, where the insurer makes loans or extensions of credit with the agreement or understanding that the proceeds of the transactions, in whole or in substantial part, are to be used to make loans or extensions of credit to, to purchase assets of, or to make investments in, any affiliate of the insurer making the loans or extensions of credit, provided the transactions are equal to or exceed:
  - (i) With respect to non-life insurers, the lesser of three percent (3%) of the insurer's admitted assets or twenty-five percent (25%) of surplus regarding policyholders as of December 31 of the year immediately preceding;
  - (ii) With respect to life insurers, three percent (3%) of the insurer's admitted assets as of December 31 of the year immediately preceding;
- (c) Reinsurance agreements or modifications thereto, including:
  - (i) All reinsurance pooling agreements;

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- (ii) Agreements in which the reinsurance premium or a change in the insurer's liabilities, or the projected reinsurance premium or a change in the insurer's liabilities, in any of the next three (3) years, equals or exceeds five percent (5%) of the insurer's surplus regarding policyholders, as of December 31 of the year immediately preceding, including those agreements which that may require as consideration the transfer of assets from an insurer to a nonaffiliate, if an agreement or understanding exists between the insurer and the nonaffiliate that any portion of the assets will be transferred to one (1) or more affiliates of the insurer;
- (d) All management agreements, service contracts, tax allocation agreements, guarantees and all cost-sharing arrangements;
- (e) Guarantees when made by a domestic insurer, provided however, that a guarantee that is quantifiable as to amount is not subject to the notice requirement of this section, unless it exceeds the lesser of one-half of one percent (.5%) of the insurer's admitted assets or ten percent (10%) of surplus regarding policyholders as of December 31 of the year immediately preceding. Further, all guarantees that are not quantifiable as to amount are subject to the notice requirements of this section;
- (f) Direct or indirect acquisitions or investments in a person that controls the insurer or in an affiliate of the insurer in an amount that, together with the insurer's present holdings in such investments, exceeds two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the insurer's surplus to policyholders. Direct or indirect acquisitions or investments in subsidiaries acquired pursuant to section 41-3803, Idaho Code, or authorized under any other section of this chapter, or in nonsubsidiary insurance affiliates that are subject to the provisions of this chapter, are exempt from this requirement; and

- (g) Any material transactions, specified by statute or rule, that the director determines may adversely affect the interests of the insurer's policyholders.
- (3) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to authorize or permit any transactions that, in the case of an insurer not a member of the same insurance holding company system, would be otherwise contrary to law.

- $\frac{(3)}{(4)}$  A domestic insurer may not enter into transactions that are part of a plan or series of like transactions with persons within the insurance holding company system if the purpose of those separate transactions is to avoid the statutory threshold amount and thus avoid the review that would occur otherwise. If the director determines that separate transactions were entered into over any twelve (12) month period for that purpose, the director may exercise his authority pursuant to section 41-3819, Idaho Code.
- (4) (5) The director, in reviewing transactions pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, shall consider whether the transactions comply with the standards set forth in subsection (1) of this section and whether they may adversely affect the interests of policyholders.
- $\frac{(5)}{(6)}$  The director shall be notified within thirty (30) days of any investment of the domestic insurer in any one (1) corporation, if the total investment in the corporation by the insurance holding company system exceeds ten percent (10%) of the corporation's voting securities.
  - (7) (a) Any affiliate to an agreement or contract with a domestic insurer that is subject to the provisions of subsection (2) (d) of this section shall be subject to the jurisdiction of any supervision, seizure, conservatorship, or receivership proceedings against the insurer and to the authority of any supervisor, conservator, rehabilitator, or liquidator for the insurer appointed pursuant to chapter 33, title 41, Idaho Code, for the purpose of interpreting, enforcing, and overseeing the affiliate's obligations under the agreement or contract to perform services for the insurer that:
    - (i) Are an integral part of the insurer's operations, including but not limited to management, administration, accounting, data processing, marketing, underwriting, claims handling, investment, or any other similar functions; or
    - (ii) Are essential to the insurer's ability to fulfill its obligations under insurance policies.
  - (b) The director may require that an agreement or contract pursuant to subsection (2) (d) of this section for the provision of services described in paragraph (a) of this subsection specify that the affiliate consents to the jurisdiction as set forth in this section.
- SECTION 5. That Section 41-3816, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 41-3816. CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT. (1) Documents, materials or other information in the possession or control of the department that are obtained by or disclosed to the director or any other person in the course of an examination or investigation made pursuant to section 41-3814, Idaho Code, and all information reported or provided to the department pursuant to sections 41-3804(2), 41-3809, 41-3810, and 41-3815A, Idaho Code, shall be confidential by law and privileged, shall be exempt from public disclosure, shall not

be subject to subpoena and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action. However, the director is authorized to use such documents, materials or other information in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the director's official duties. The director shall not otherwise make the documents, materials or other information public without the prior written consent of the insurer to which it pertains, unless the director, after giving the insurer and its affiliates who would be affected notice and opportunity to be heard, determines that the interest of policyholders, shareholders or the public will be served by the publication, in which event the director may publish all or any part in such manner as may be deemed appropriate.

- (a) For purposes of the information reported and provided to the department pursuant to section 41-3809(13), Idaho Code, the director shall maintain the confidentiality of the group capital calculation and group capital ratio produced within the calculation and any group capital information received from an insurance holding company supervised by the federal reserve board or any United States group-wide supervisor.
- (b) For purposes of the information reported and provided to the department pursuant to section 41-3809(14), Idaho Code, the director shall maintain the confidentiality of the liquidity stress test results and supporting disclosures and any liquidity stress test information received from an insurance holding company supervised by the federal reserve board or non-United States group-wide supervisors.
- (2) Neither the director nor any person who receives documents, materials or other information while acting under the authority of the director or with whom such documents, materials or other information is shared pursuant to this chapter, shall be permitted or required to testify in any private civil action concerning any confidential documents, materials or information subject to subsection (1) of this section.
- (3) In order to assist in the performance of the director's duties under title 41, Idaho Code, the director:
  - (a) May share documents, materials or other information, including the confidential and privileged documents, materials or information subject to subsection (1) of this section, with other state, federal and international regulatory agencies, with the national association of insurance commissioners (NAIC) and its affiliates and subsidiaries, and with state, federal and international law enforcement authorities, including members of any supervisory college described in section 41-3815, Idaho Code, provided that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material or other information and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain confidentiality;
  - (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (3) paragraph (a) of this <u>sub</u>section, the director may only share confidential and privileged documents, materials or information reported pursuant to section 41-3809(12), Idaho Code, with commissioners of states having statutes or regulations substantially similar to subsection (1) of this section and who have agreed in writing not to disclose such information;

- (c) May receive documents, materials or information, including otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials or information, from the national association of insurance commissioners NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries and from regulatory and law enforcement officials of other foreign or domestic jurisdictions and shall maintain as confidential or privileged any document, material or information received with notice or the understanding that it is confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document, material or information; and
- (d) Shall enter into written agreements with the national association of insurance commissioners NAIC governing sharing and use of information provided pursuant to the provisions of this chapter consistent with this subsection, which agreements shall:
  - (i) Specify procedures and protocols regarding the confidentiality and security of information shared with the national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries NAIC or third-party consultants designated by the director pursuant to this chapter, including procedures and protocols for sharing by the national association of insurance commissioners NAIC with other state, federal or international regulators. Such agreement shall provide that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the documents, materials, or other information and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain such confidentiality;
  - (ii) Specify that ownership of information shared with the national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the director pursuant to this chapter remains with the director, and the national association of insurance commissioners' NAIC's or third-party consultant's use of the information is subject to the direction of the director;
  - (iii) Excluding documents, materials, or information reported pursuant to section 41-3809(14), Idaho Code, prohibit the NAIC or third-party consultant designated by the director from storing the information shared pursuant to this chapter;
  - (iii) (iv) Require prompt notice to be given to an insurer whose confidential information is in the possession of the national association of insurance commissioners NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the director pursuant to this chapter that disclosure of such confidential information has been requested or subpoenaed or otherwise sought; and
  - (iv) (v) Require the national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the director to consent to intervention by an insurer in any judicial, administrative, or similar action in which the national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the director may be required to disclose confidential information about the insurer shared with the national association of insurance commissioners and the insurer's affiliates

and subsidiaries NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the director pursuant to this chapter.; and

- (vi) For documents, materials, or information reported pursuant to section 41-3809(14), Idaho Code, in the case of an agreement involving a third-party consultant, provide for notification of the identity of the consultant to the applicable insurers.
- (4) The sharing of information by the director pursuant to this chapter shall not constitute a delegation of regulatory authority or rulemaking, and the director is solely responsible for the administration, execution and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter.
- (5) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of confidentiality in the documents, materials or information shall occur as a result of disclosure to the director under the provisions of this section or as a result of sharing as authorized in subsection (3) of this section.
- (6) Documents, materials, or other information in the possession or control of the national association of insurance commissioners NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the director pursuant to this chapter shall be confidential and privileged, shall not be a public record, shall not be subject to public disclosure, shall not be subject to subpoena and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action.
- required pursuant to section 41-3809(13), Idaho Code, and the liquidity stress test along with its results and supporting disclosures required pursuant to section 41-3809(14), Idaho Code, shall be considered regulatory tools and are not intended as a means to rank insurers or insurance holding company systems generally. Except as otherwise may be required under the provisions of this chapter, the making, publishing, disseminating, circulating, or placing before the public, directly or indirectly, by any written or electronic means of communication available to the public, or in any other way, with regard to the group capital calculation, group capital ratio, the liquidity stress test results, or supporting disclosures for the liquidity stress test of any insurer or any insurer group, or of any component derived in the calculation by any person engaged in any manner in the insurance business is hereby prohibited.
- (8) If any materially false statement or an inappropriate comparison of any amount regarding an insurer's or insurance group's filings made pursuant to section 41-3809(13) or (14), Idaho Code, is published in any written publication and the insurer is able to demonstrate to the director with substantial proof the falsity or inappropriateness of such statement, then the insurer may publish announcements in a written publication solely to rebut the materially false statement or inappropriate comparison.

SECTION 6. This act shall be in full force and effect on and after January 1, 2026.