State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2002

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Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce at the request of the Department of Commerce and Regulation

1	FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the term of retention of certain records by insurers					
2	and to require certain delivery receipts to be forwarded to an insurer.					
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:					
4	Section 1. That § 58-15-8.2 be amended to read as follows:					
5	58-15-8.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this stat					
6	for which	an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:				
7	(1)	If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the				
8		policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy				
9		number and the date of the delivery;				
10	(2)	If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return				
11		receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the				
12		policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of				
13		mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from				
14		the date of mailing.				

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1 The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the

- 2 insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the
- 3 producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.
- 4 Section 2. That § 58-15-59.2 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 58-15-59.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state
- 6 for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:
- 7 (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the
- 8 policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy
- 9 number and the date of the delivery;
- 10 (2) If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return
- receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the
- policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of
- mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from
- the date of mailing.
- 15 The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the
- insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the
- producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.
- Section 3. That § 58-17-11.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 19 58-17-11.1. An insurance company, nonprofit hospital service plan, medical service
- 20 corporation, <u>health maintenance organization</u>, or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in
- 21 this state for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following
- 22 methods:
- 23 (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the
- 24 policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy

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- 2 (2) If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return
 3 receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the
 4 policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of
 5 mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from
 6 the date of mailing.
 - The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.
- Section 4. That § 58-28-24.2 be amended to read as follows:
 - 58-28-24.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:
 - (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy number and the date of the delivery;
 - (2) If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from the date of mailing.
 - The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.