## **State of South Dakota**

## SEVENTY-SEVENTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2002

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1020

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 insurer   |  |  |
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| 2  | and to require certain delivery receipts to be forwarded to an insurer.                     |  |  |
| 3  | BE IT EN  | NACTED 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   | 5-8.2. 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 |  |
| 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.   |  |
| 15 | The r   | eceipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the   |  |
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1 insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the

- 2 producer shall forward the delivery receipt to the insurer.
- 3 Section 2. That § 58-15-59.2 be amended to read as follows:
- 4 58-15-59.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state
- 5 for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:
- 6 (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the
- 7 policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy
- 8 number and the date of the delivery;
- 9 (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 delivery receipt to the insurer.
- 17 Section 3. That § 58-17-11.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 18 58-17-11.1. An insurance company, nonprofit hospital service plan, medical service
- corporation, <u>health maintenance organization</u>, or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in
- 20 this state for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following
- 21 methods:
- 22 (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
- 24 number and the date of the delivery;

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| 2  |   | receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the        |  |
| 3  |   | policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of      |  |
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| 5  |   | the date of mailing.   |  |
| 6  | The r   | receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the  |  |
| 7  | insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the |  |  |
| 8  | producer shall forward the delivery receipt to the insurer.   |  |  |
| 9  | Section 4. That § 58-28-24.2 be amended to read as follows:   |  |  |
| 10 | 58-28-24.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state    |  |  |
| 11 | for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:        |  |  |
| 12 | (1)   | If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the        |  |
| 13 |   | policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy       |  |
| 14 |   | number and the date of the delivery;   |  |
| 15 | (2)   | If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return |  |
| 16 |   | receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the        |  |
| 17 |   | policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of      |  |
| 18 |   | mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from         |  |
| 19 |   | the date of mailing.   |  |
| 20 | The r   | receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the  |  |
| 21 | insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the |  |  |

producer shall forward the delivery receipt to the insurer.

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