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A BILL

То	amend sections 111.15, 119.01, 1121.01, 1121.11,	1
	1121.18, 1155.01, 1155.091, 1155.16, 1163.01,	2
	1163.121, 1163.20, 1321.09, 1321.55, 1321.76,	3
	1322.06, 1322.061, 1707.092, 1707.11, 1707.12,	4
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	3901.70, 3901.83, 3903.11, 3903.72, 3903.83,	8
	3903.88, 3905.492, 3905.50, 3999.36, and 4727.18,	9
	to enact sections 1181.25, 1707.201, and 3901.045	10
	of the Revised Code, and to repeal section 1322.06	11
	of the Revised Code, as amended by this act, on May	12
	2, 2002, relative to the circumstances under which	13
	the Department of Insurance and the Divisions of	14
	Financial Institutions and Securities may share	15
	confidential documents and information with, and	16
	receive such documents and information from, other	17
	specified regulators and officials, or otherwise	18
	disclose these documents and information, and to	19
	modifications of the Securities Law with respect to	20
	investment advisers, application for a securities	21
	dealer's license, license renewals and fees, parity	22
	rules, notice filings, and consent to service of	23

process.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 111.15, 119.01, 1121.01, 1121.11, 1121.18, 1155.01, 1155.091, 1155.16, 1163.01, 1163.121, 1163.20, 1321.09, 1321.55, 1321.76, 1322.06, 1322.061, 1707.092, 1707.11, 1707.12, 1707.141, 1707.15, 1707.151, 1707.161, 1707.17, 1707.20, 1707.40, 1707.44, 1733.01, 1733.32, 1733.327, 1751.19, 3901.36, 3901.44, 3901.48, 3901.70, 3901.83, 3903.11, 3903.72, 3903.83, 3903.88, 3905.492, 3905.50, 3999.36, and 4727.18 be amended and sections 1181.25, 1707.201, and 3901.045 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 111.15. (A) As used in this section:

- (1) "Rule" includes any rule, regulation, bylaw, or standard having a general and uniform operation adopted by an agency under the authority of the laws governing the agency; any appendix to a rule; and any internal management rule. "Rule" does not include any guideline adopted pursuant to section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code, any order respecting the duties of employees, any finding, any determination of a question of law or fact in a matter presented to an agency, or any rule promulgated pursuant to Chapter 119., section 4141.14, division (C)(1) or (2) of section 5117.02, or section 5703.14 of the Revised Code. "Rule" includes any amendment or rescission of a rule.
- (2) "Agency" means any governmental entity of the state and includes, but is not limited to, any board, department, division, commission, bureau, society, council, institution, state college or university, community college district, technical college district, or state community college. "Agency" does not include the general assembly, the controlling board, the adjutant

designates an effective date that is later than the effective date provided for by division (B)(1) of this section, the rule if filed as required by such division shall become effective on the later date designated by the agency.

Any rule that is required to be filed under division (B)(1) of this section is also subject to division (D) of this section if not exempted by division (D)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), or (8) of this section.

(2) A rule of an emergency nature necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety shall state the reasons for the necessity. The emergency rule, in final form and in compliance with division (B)(3) of this section, shall be filed in electronic form with the secretary of state, the director of the legislative service commission, and the joint committee on agency rule review. The emergency rule is effective immediately upon completion of the latest filing, except that if the agency in adopting the emergency rule designates an effective date, or date and time of day, that is later than the effective date and time provided for by division (B)(2) of this section, the emergency rule if filed as required by such division shall become effective at the later date, or later date and time of day, designated by the agency.

An emergency rule becomes invalid at the end of the ninetieth day it is in effect. Prior to that date, the agency may file the emergency rule as a nonemergency rule in compliance with division (B)(1) of this section. The agency may not refile the emergency rule in compliance with division (B)(2) of this section so that, upon the emergency rule becoming invalid under such division, the emergency rule will continue in effect without interruption for another ninety-day period.

(3) An agency shall file a rule under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section in compliance with the following standards and

(5) Any proposed rule that must be adopted verbatim by an

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the state;

analysis prepared under section 121.24 or 127.18 of the Revised Code, or both, in electronic form along with a proposed rule or proposed rule in revised form that is filed with the secretary of state or the director of the legislative service commission.

(F) Except as otherwise provided in this division, the auditor of state or the auditor of state's designee is not required to file a rule summary and fiscal analysis along with a proposed rule, or proposed rule in revised form, that the auditor of state proposes under section 117.12, 117.19, 117.38, or 117.43 of the Revised Code and files under division (D) or (E) of this section. If, however, the auditor of state or the designee prepares a rule summary and fiscal analysis of the original version of such a proposed rule for purposes of complying with section 121.24 of the Revised Code, the auditor of state or designee shall file the rule summary and fiscal analysis in electronic form along with the original version of the proposed rule filed under division (D) or (E) of this section.

Sec. 119.01. As used in sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code:

(A)(1) "Agency" means, except as limited by this division, any official, board, or commission having authority to promulgate rules or make adjudications in the civil service commission, the division of liquor control, the department of taxation, the industrial commission, the bureau of workers' compensation, the functions of any administrative or executive officer, department, division, bureau, board, or commission of the government of the state specifically made subject to sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code, and the licensing functions of any administrative or executive officer, department, division, bureau, board, or commission of the government of the state having the authority or responsibility of issuing, suspending, revoking, or

(a) The adoption, amendment, or rescission of rules that

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of an adjudication by an agency.	303
(H) "Appeal" means the procedure by which a person,	aggrieved 304
by a finding, decision, order, or adjudication of any age	ency, 305
invokes the jurisdiction of a court.	306
(I) "Rule-making agency" means any board, commission	307
department, division, or bureau of the government of the	state 308
that is required to file proposed rules, amendments, or	309
rescissions under division (D) of section 111.15 of the F	Revised 310
Code and any agency that is required to file proposed rul	les, 311
amendments, or rescissions under divisions (B) and (H) of	section 312
119.03 of the Revised Code. "Rule-making agency" includes	s the 313
public utilities commission. "Rule-making agency" does no	ot include 314
any state-supported college or university.	315
(J) "Substantive revision" means any addition to, el	limination 316
from, or other change in a rule, an amendment of a rule,	or a 317
rescission of a rule, whether of a substantive or procedu	ıral 318
nature, that changes any of the following:	319
(1) That which the rule, amendment, or rescission pe	ermits, 320
authorizes, regulates, requires, prohibits, penalizes, re	ewards, or 321
otherwise affects;	322
(2) The scope or application of the rule, amendment,	or 323
rescission.	324
(K) "Internal management rule" means any rule, regul	lation, or 325
standard governing the day-to-day staff procedures and or	perations 326
within an agency.	327
Sec. 1121.01. As used in this chapter:	328
(A) "Financial institution regulatory authority" inc	
regulator of a business activity in which a bank or trust	
is engaged, or has applied to engage in, to the extent the	
regulator has jurisdiction over a bank or trust company e	engaged in 332

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(1) Participate with financial institution regulatory	363
authorities of this and other states, the United States, and other	364
countries in any of the following:	365
(a) Programs for alternate examinations of the records and	366
affairs of banks and trust companies over which they have	367
concurrent jurisdiction;	368
(b) Joint or concurrent examinations of the records and	369
affairs of banks and trust companies over which they have	370
concurrent jurisdiction;	371
(c) Coordinated examinations of the records and affairs of	372
banks and trust companies over which they have collective	373
jurisdiction.	374
(2) Conduct, participate in, or coordinate independent,	375
concurrent, joint, or coordinated examinations of the records and	376
affairs of banks and trust companies and otherwise act on behalf	377
of financial institution regulatory authorities of this and other	378
states, the United States, and other countries having jurisdiction	379
over the banks and trust companies;	380
(3) Rely on information leading to, arising from, or obtained	381
in the course of examinations conducted by financial institution	382
regulatory authorities of this and other states, the United	383
States, and other countries when both of the following apply:	384
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(a) Pursuant to agreement and applicable law, the	386
superintendent may receive and use the information leading to,	387
arising from, or obtained in the course of the other regulatory	388
authorities' examinations in administering Chapters 1101. to 1127.	389
of the Revised Code and acting under the authority of those	390

(b) In the superintendent's judgment the other regulatory 392 authorities' personnel, practices, and authority warrant the 393

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- (4) Authorize financial institution regulatory authorities of 395 this and other states, the United States, and other countries to 396 receive and use information leading to, arising from, or obtained 397 in the course of examinations conducted by the division of 398 financial institutions in the same manner and for the purposes 399 they could use information leading to, arising from, or obtained 400 in the course of their own examinations when both of the following 401 apply: 402
- (a) Pursuant to applicable law, information leading to, arising from, or obtained in the course of examinations the other regulatory authorities conduct is protected from general disclosure and may only be disclosed for purposes similar to those provided in section 1121.18 of the Revised Code, which are principally regulatory in nature, for disclosure of information leading to, arising from, or obtained in the course of examinations conducted by the division;
- (b) Pursuant to agreement and applicable law, information 411 412 leading to, arising from, or obtained in the course of examinations conducted by the division will, in the other 413 regulatory authorities' possession or the possession of any 414 persons to whom the other regulatory authorities disclosed the 415 information as a part of examinations of those persons, be 416 protected from disclosure to the same extent as information 417 leading to, arising from, or obtained in the course of those 418 regulatory authorities' examinations. 419
- (5) Rely on the actions of financial institution regulatory authorities of this and other states, the United States, or other countries, or participate with them jointly, in responding to violations of law, unsafe or unsound practices, breaches of fiduciary duty, or other regulatory concerns affecting banks and trust companies over which they have concurrent jurisdiction when

(5) To law enforcement authorities conducting criminal

bank or other person examined, its directors, officers, employees, agents, regulated persons, or contractors, or any person having knowledge or possession of a report of examination, or any of its contents, disclose or make public in any manner the report of examination or its contents. The authority provided in division (B)(4) of this section for use of examination information to assist in conducting the business of the bank or other person examined in a safe and sound manner and in compliance with law shall not be construed to authorize disclosure of a report of examination or any of its contents in conducting business with the examined bank's or person's customers, creditors, or shareholders, or with other persons.

(E) Whoever violates this section shall be removed from office, shall be liable, with the violator's bonder in damages to the person injured by the disclosure of information, and is guilty of a felony of the fourth degree.

Sec. 1155.01. As used in sections 1155.01 to 1155.20 of the Revised Code:

(A) "Controlling person" means any person or entity which, either directly or indirectly, or acting in concert with one or more other persons or entities, owns, controls, or holds with power to vote, or holds proxies representing, fifteen per cent or more of the voting shares or rights of a savings and loan association, or controls in any manner the election or appointment of a majority of the directors of an association. However, a director of an association will not be deemed to be a controlling person of such association based upon his the director's voting, or acting in concert with other directors in voting, proxies obtained in connection with an annual solicitation of proxies or obtained from savings account holders and borrowers if such proxies are voted as directed by a majority of the entire board of

Sec. 1155.091. (A) In administering Chapters 1151. to 1157. 577 of the Revised Code and fulfilling the duties imposed by those 578

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Sec. 1163.01. As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Controlling person" means any person or entity which, either directly or indirectly, or acting in concert with one or more other persons or entities, owns, controls, or holds with power to vote, or holds proxies representing, fifteen per cent or more of the voting shares or rights of a savings bank, or controls in any manner the election or appointment of a majority of the directors of a savings bank. However, a director of a savings bank is not deemed to be a controlling person of the savings bank based upon his the director's voting, or acting in concert with other directors in voting, proxies obtained in connection with an annual solicitation of proxies or obtained from savings account holders and borrowers if the proxies are voted as directed by a majority of the entire board of directors of the savings bank, or of a committee of the directors if the committee's composition and authority are controlled by a majority vote of the entire board and if its authority is revocable by such a majority.
- (B) "Independent auditor" means an accountant who is licensed to practice as a certified public accountant or public accountant by this state, and who is employed or otherwise retained by a savings bank to audit its accounts. An independent auditor may not be an employee of the savings bank, its subsidiaries, or holding company affiliates.
- (C) "Outside director" means a director of a savings bank who is not an officer or employee of the savings bank, an independent auditor of the savings bank, an attorney of the savings bank, or any other person having a fiduciary relationship, other than that of being a director, with the savings bank.
- (D) "Holding company affiliate" means a bank holding company or a savings and loan holding company of which the savings bank is a subsidiary and any other subsidiary of the holding company other than a subsidiary of the savings bank.

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(E) "Financial institution regulatory authority" includes a	765
regulator of a business activity in which a savings bank is	766
engaged, or has applied to engage in, to the extent that the	767
regulator has jurisdiction over a savings bank engaged in that	768
business activity. A savings bank is engaged in a business	769
activity, and a regulator of that business activity has	770
jurisdiction over the savings bank, whether the savings bank	771
conducts the activity directly or a subsidiary or affiliate of the	772
savings bank conducts the activity.	773
Sec. 1163.121. (A) In administering Chapters 1161. to 1165.	774
of the Revised Code and fulfilling the duties imposed by those	775
chapters, including the duty imposed by section 1163.12 of the	776
Revised Code, the superintendent of financial institutions may do	777
any of the following:	778
(1) Participate with financial institution regulatory	779
authorities of this and other states, the United States, and other	780
countries in any of the following:	781
(a) Programs for alternate examinations of the records and	782
affairs of savings banks over which they have concurrent	783
jurisdiction;	784
(b) Joint or concurrent examinations of the records and	785
affairs of savings banks over which they have concurrent	786
jurisdiction;	787
(c) Coordinated examinations of the records and affairs of	788
savings banks over which they have collective jurisdiction.	789
(2) Conduct, participate in, or coordinate independent,	790
concurrent, joint, or coordinated examinations of the records and	791

affairs of savings banks and otherwise act on behalf of financial

institution regulatory authorities of this and other states, the

United States, and other countries having jurisdiction over the

leading to, arising from, or obtained in the course of examinations conducted by the division will, in the other regulatory authorities' possession or the possession of any persons to whom the other regulatory authorities disclosed the information as a part of examinations of those persons, be protected from disclosure to the same extent as information leading to, arising from, or obtained in the course of those regulatory authorities' examinations.

(b) Pursuant to agreement and applicable law, information

- (5) Rely on the actions of financial institution regulatory authorities of this and other states, the United States, or other countries, or participate with them jointly, in responding to violations of law, unsafe or unsound practices, breaches of fiduciary duty, or other regulatory concerns affecting savings banks over which they have concurrent jurisdiction when the other regulatory authorities have adequate personnel, practices, and authority to warrant the reliance;
- (6) Implement other cooperative arrangements with financial institution regulatory authorities of <u>this and</u> other states, the United States, and other countries consistent with safety and soundness.
- (B) No person shall use any reliance by the superintendent, in whole or in part, on financial institution regulatory authorities of this or other states, the United States, or other countries in accordance with division (A) of this section to support any assertion of either of the following:
- (1) Failure of the superintendent or division to properly administer Chapters 1161. to 1165. of the Revised Code or fulfill the duties imposed by those chapters;
- (2) Disagreement by the superintendent or division with any 855 action taken by financial institution regulatory authorities of 856

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(C) In conducting, participating in, or coordinating 858 independent, concurrent, joint, or coordinated examinations of the 859 records and affairs of savings banks, the superintendent may 860 purchase services from financial institution regulatory 861 authorities of this and other states, the United States, and other 862 countries, including services provided by employees of other 863 financial institution regulatory authorities. The purchase of 864 services from one or more financial institution regulatory 865 authorities of this and other states, the United States, and other 866 countries is the purchase of services from a sole source provider 867 868 and is not the employment of any financial institution regulatory authority or any of its employees. 869

The authority to purchase services pursuant to this division 870 does not impair the superintendent's authority to purchase 871 services from any other source. 872

Sec. 1163.20. (A)(1) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, the superintendent of savings banks financial institutions, his agents, and employees shall keep privileged and confidential the examination reports, information obtained in an examination, or any other information obtained by reason of their official position. This section does not prevent the superintendent from properly releasing to or exchanging information relating to a savings bank, or its affairs, with the governor, the director of commerce, the deputy director of commerce, or representatives of state or federal financial institution regulatory agencies or governmental authorities, or prevent such release by the savings bank or its officers or directors, in the conduct of the business of the savings bank.

(2) Any person who receives privileged and confidential examination reports or other information under the authority of

the Revised Code.

(C) When in the opinion of the superintendent, it is

appropriate with regard to enforcement actions taken or decisions

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the superintendent has provided the information pursuant to
authority in Chapters 1315., 1321., 1322., 1733., 4712., 4727.,
and 4728. of the Revised Code or Title XI of the Revised Code.

Sec. 1321.09. (A) Every licensee shall keep and use in the licensee's business such books, accounts, and records as will enable the division of financial institutions to determine whether the licensee is complying with sections 1321.01 to 1321.19 of the Revised Code and with the orders and rules made by the division under those sections. Every licensee shall preserve such books, accounts, and records for at least two years after making the final entry on any loan recorded therein. Accounting systems maintained in whole or in part by mechanical or electronic data processing methods that provide information equivalent to that otherwise required are acceptable for this purpose.

As required by the superintendent of financial institutions, every licensee each year shall file a report with the division giving such relevant information concerning the business and operations, during the preceding calendar year, of each licensed place of business conducted by the licensee within the state. If a licensee has more than one place of business within this state it is optional with the licensee to furnish the report for each location, or a composite report for all locations. Such report shall be made under oath in the form prescribed by the division, which shall make and publish annually an analysis and recapitulation of such reports. Such licensee reports are not public records and shall only be used by the division for the purpose of enforcing sections 1321.01 to 1321.19 of the Revised Code or any rules or orders made in compliance with those sections. Such licensee reports may be introduced into evidence or disclosed when and in the manner authorized in section 1181.25 of the Revised Code, or in connection with criminal proceedings.

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This section does not prevent the division from releasing to	980
or exchanging with other financial institution regulatory	981
authorities information relating to licensees.	982

(B) For purposes of this section, "financial institution regulatory authority" includes a regulator of a business activity in which a licensee is engaged, or has applied to engage in, to the extent that the regulator has jurisdiction over a licensee engaged in that business activity. A licensee is engaged in a business activity, and a regulator of that business activity has jurisdiction over the licensee, whether the licensee conducts the activity directly or a subsidiary or affiliate of the licensee conducts the activity.

Sec. 1321.55. (A) Every registrant shall keep records pertaining to loans made under sections 1321.51 to 1321.60 of the Revised Code. Such records shall be segregated from records pertaining to transactions that are not subject to these sections of the Revised Code. Every registrant shall preserve records pertaining to loans made under sections 1321.51 to 1321.60 of the Revised Code for at least two years after making the final entry on such records. Accounting systems maintained in whole or in part by mechanical or electronic data processing methods that provide information equivalent to that otherwise required are acceptable for this purpose. At least once each eighteen-month cycle, the division of financial institutions shall make or cause to be made an examination of records pertaining to loans made under sections 1321.51 to 1321.60 of the Revised Code, for the purpose of determining whether the registrant is complying with these sections and of verifying the registrant's annual report.

(B)(1) As required by the superintendent of financialinstitutions, each registrant shall file with the division eachyear a report under oath or affirmation, on forms supplied by the

to or exchanging with other financial institution regulatory

(F) For purposes of this section, "financial institution

authorities information relating to registrants.

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regulatory authority" includes a regulator of a business activity	.042
in which a registrant is engaged, or has applied to engage in, to	.043
the extent that the regulator has jurisdiction over a registrant	044
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business activity, and a regulator of that business activity has	046
jurisdiction over the registrant, whether the registrant conducts	047
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Sec. 1321.76. (A) Each licensee shall keep records of its 1050 insurance premium finance transactions conducted under sections 1051 1321.71 to 1321.83 of the Revised Code. Such records shall be 1052 maintained separately from any records pertaining to transactions 1053 that are not subject to those sections. Each licensee shall 1054 preserve its records pertaining to insurance premium finance 1055 transactions conducted under sections 1321.71 to 1321.83 of the 1056 Revised Code for at least two years after the final entry on such 1057 records. Preservation of records by means of accounting systems 1058 maintained in whole or in part by mechanical or electronic data 1059 processing methods constitutes compliance with this division. 1060

The division of financial institutions for purposes of 1061 determining whether a licensee is complying with sections 1321.71 1062 to 1321.83 of the Revised Code, may make or cause to be made an 1063 examination of records pertaining to insurance premium finance 1064 transactions conducted under those sections.

(B) If a licensee's books, records, data, and other documents are located outside this state, the licensee shall, upon the 1067 request of the superintendent of financial institutions, deposit 1068 with the division an amount equal to the estimated costs, as 1069 determined by the superintendent, of an examination of the 1070 licensee conducted outside this state. After the actual costs of 1071 the examination have been determined and itemized by the division, 1072

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division shall maintain public records in such a manner that they	1352
can be made available pursuant to this section.	1353
(E) No employee or representative of the division or the	1354
department of commerce shall be required to testify concerning any	1355
document or record subject to division (B) or (C) of this section,	1356
except as set forth by rules adopted by the division.	1357
(F) As used in this section:	1358
(1) "Confidential law enforcement investigatory record" means	1359
any record that pertains to a law enforcement matter of a	1360
criminal, quasi-criminal, civil, or administrative nature,	1361
provided that release of the record would create a high	1362
probability of disclosure of any of the following:	1363
(a) The identity of a suspect who has not been charged with	1364
the offense to which the record pertains, or of an information	1365
source or witness to whom confidentiality reasonably has been	1366
promised;	1367
(b) Information provided by an information source or witness	1368
to whom confidentiality reasonably has been promised, which	1369
information reasonably would tend to disclose $\frac{1}{2}$	1370
the information source or witness;	1371
(c) Specific confidential investigatory techniques or	1372
procedures or specific investigatory work product.	1373
(2) "Trial preparation record" means any record that contains	1374
information that is specifically compiled in reasonable	1375
anticipation of, or in defense of, a criminal, quasi-criminal,	1376
civil, or administrative action or proceeding, including, but not	1377
limited to, the independent thought processes and personal trial	1378
preparation of an attorney and division personnel, their notes,	1379
diaries, and memoranda.	1380
Sec. 1707.141. (A) No person shall act as an investment	1381

(5) The person is a charitable organization, as defined in	1411
section 3(c)(10) of the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 54 Stat.	1412
797, 15 U.S.C. 80a-3(c)(10), as amended, or is a trustee,	1413
director, officer, employee, or volunteer of such a charitable	1414
organization acting within the scope of the person's employment or	1415
duties with such an organization, whose advice, analysis, or	1416
reports are provided only to one or more of the following:	1417
(a) Any such charitable organization;	1418
(b) A fund that is excluded from the definition of an	1419
investment company under section 3(c)(10)(B) of the "Investment	1420
Company Act of 1940, " 54 Stat. 797, 15 U.S.C. 80a-3(c)(10)(B), as	1421
<pre>amended;</pre>	1422
(c) A trust or other donative instrument described in section	1423
3(c)(10)(B) of the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 54 Stat. 797,	1424
15 U.S.C. 80a-3(c)(10)(B), as amended, or the trustees,	1425
administrators, settlors and potential settlors, or beneficiaries	1426
of any such trust or other instrument.	1427
(6) The person is a plan described in subsection 414(e) of	1428
the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.	1429
414, as amended, any person or entity eligible to establish and	1430
maintain such a plan under Title 26 of the United States Code, or	1431
any trustee, director, officer, or employee of or volunteer for	1432
any such plan or person, if such person or entity, acting in such	1433
capacity, provides investment advice exclusively to, or with	1434
respect to, any plan, person, or entity, or any company, account,	1435
or fund that is excluded from the definition of an investment	1436
company under section 3(c)(14) of the "Investment Company Act of	1437
1940, " 54 Stat. 797, 15 U.S.C. 80a-3(c)(14), as amended.	1438
(B)(1) No person who is registered under section 203 of the	1439
"Investment Advisers Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80b-3, as an	1440
investment adviser shall act as an investment adviser unless the	1 4 4 1

investment adviser that is not a natural person shall notify the

division of the name and relationship to the investment adviser of

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division for the actual expenses incurred in investigating the

applicant. An itemized statement of any such expenses that the

applicant is required to pay shall be furnished to the applicant

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(E) If the division finds that the applicant is of good 1627 business repute, appears to be qualified to act as an investment 1628 adviser representative, and has complied with sections 1707.01 to 1629 1707.45 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted under those 1630 sections by the division, the division, upon payment of the fees 1631 prescribed by division (B) of section 1707.17 of the Revised Code, 1632 shall issue to the applicant a license authorizing the applicant 1633 to act as an investment adviser representative for the investment 1634 adviser, or investment advisers that are under common ownership or 1635 control, named in the application. 1636

Sec. 1707.17. (A)(1) The license of every dealer in and 1637 salesperson of securities shall expire on the thirty-first day of 1638 December of each year, and may be renewed upon the filing with the 1639 division of securities of an application for renewal, and the 1640 payment of the fee prescribed in this section, between the first 1641 day of November and the fifteenth day of December of each year. 1642 1643 The division may accept an application for renewal filed between the fifteenth and the thirty-first day of December of each year. 1644 The division also may accept an application for renewal received 1645 by the division not later than the tenth day of January of the 1646 1647 subsequent calendar year, provided that the application for renewal is accompanied by the license renewal fee and the 1648 additional fee prescribed in division (B) of this section. The 1649 1650 division shall give notice, without unreasonable delay, of its action on any application for renewal of a dealer's or 1651 salesperson's license. 1652

(2) The license of every investment adviser and investment 1653 adviser representative licensed under section 1707.141 or 1707.161 1654 of the Revised Code shall expire on the thirty-first day of 1655 December of each year. The licenses may be renewed upon the filing 1656

with the division of an application for renewal, and the payment of the fee prescribed in division (B) of this section, between the fifteenth day of October and the thirtieth day of November of each year. The division may accept an application for renewal filed between the first and thirty-first day of December of each year. The division also may accept an application for renewal received by the division not later than the tenth day of January of the subsequent calendar year, provided that the application for renewal is accompanied by the license renewal fee and the additional fee prescribed in division (B) of this section. The division shall give notice, without unreasonable delay, of its action on any application for renewal.

- (3) An investment adviser required to make a notice filing under division (B) of section 1707.141 of the Revised Code annually shall file with the division the notice filing and the fee prescribed in division (B) of this section, no later than the thirty-first day of December of each year. The division may accept a notice filing received by the division not later than the tenth day of January of the subsequent calendar year, provided that the notice filing is accompanied by the notice filing fee and the additional fee prescribed in division (B) of this section.
- (B)(1) The fee for each dealer's license, and for each annual renewal thereof that is received by the division not later than the thirty-first day of December of each year, shall be one hundred dollars. Upon payment of an additional fee of one-half of the license renewal fee, the division may accept an application for renewal received by the division between the first and tenth day of January of the subsequent calendar year. The fee for the examination of applicant dealers, when administered by the division, shall be seventy-five dollars.
- (2) The fee for each salesperson's license, and for each annual renewal thereof, shall be fifty dollars. The fee for the

examination of an applicant salesperson, when administered by the division, shall be fifty dollars.

- (3) The fee for each investment adviser's license, and for
 each annual renewal thereof that is received by the division not
 later than the thirty-first day of December of each year, shall be
 fifty dollars. Upon the payment of an additional fee of one-half
 of the license fee, the division may accept a license renewal
 application received by the division between the first and tenth
 day of January of the subsequent calendar year.

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- (4) The fee for each investment adviser notice filing required by division (B) of section 1707.141 of the Revised Code and received by the division not later than the thirty-first day of December of each year shall be fifty dollars. Upon the payment of an additional fee of one-half of the notice filing fee, the division may accept a notice filing received by the division between the first and tenth day of January of the subsequent calendar year. A notice filing may be made at any time during the calendar year. In that event, the notice filing fee shall not be reduced.
- (5) The fee for each investment adviser representative's license, and for each annual renewal thereof that is received by the division not later than the thirty-first day of December of each year, shall be thirty-five dollars; however, the fee shall be waived for the investment adviser representative designated the principal of the investment adviser pursuant to division (D) of section 1707.151 of the Revised Code. Upon the payment of an additional fee of one-half of the license fee, the division may accept a license renewal application received by the division between the first and tenth day of January of the subsequent calendar year.
- (C) A dealer's, salesperson's, investment adviser's, or 1719 investment adviser representative's license may be issued at any 1720

- (3) Whether any required financial statements shall be 1751 certified by independent or certified public accountants. All 1752 financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with 1753 generally accepted accounting practices. 1754
- (D) All rules and forms of the division shall be published; and in addition to fulfilling the requirements of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, the division shall prescribe, and shall publish and make available its rules regarding the sale of securities, the administration of sections 1707.01 to 1707.45 of the Revised Code, and the procedure and practice before the division.
- (E) No provision of sections 1707.01 to 1707.45 of the Revised Code imposing any liability applies to any act done or omitted in good faith in conformity with any rule, form, or order of the division of securities, notwithstanding that the rule, form, or order may later be amended or rescinded or be determined by judicial or other authority to be invalid for any reason, except that the issuance of an order granting effectiveness to a registration under section 1707.09 or 1707.091 of the Revised Code for the purposes of this division shall not be deemed an order other than as the establishment of the fact of registration.
- (F) Notwithstanding any provision of Revised Code, if the "securities act of 1933," the "Securities Exchange Act of 1934," the "Investment Company Act of 1940," the "Investment Advisers Act of 1940," and any amendments to any of those federal acts, if any rule, regulation, release, statement, or position promulgated or adopted under the authority of any of those federal acts, and any amendments to those federal acts, or if any rule, regulation, or guideline of a self-regulatory organization registered under the "Securities and Exchange Act of 1934," and any amendments to that act, contains a provision that is not contained in this chapter or the rules adopted under this chapter and that affects any matter within the scope of this chapter, the division by rule may

becomes effective on the later of the date on which the division

issues the rule or the date on which the federal statute or the

rule, regulation, release, statement, or position on which the

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chapter;	1844
(3) Procuring the licensing of any dealer, salesperson,	1845
investment adviser, or investment adviser representative under	1846
this chapter;	1847
(4) Selling any securities in this state;	1848
(5) Advising for compensation, as to the value of securities	1849
or as to the advisability of investing in, purchasing, or selling	1850
securities;	1851
(6) Submitting a notice filing to the division under section	1852
1707.092 or 1707.141 of the Revised Code.	1853
(C) No person shall knowingly and intentionally sell, cause	1854
to be sold, offer for sale, or cause to be offered for sale, any	1855
security which comes under any of the following descriptions:	1856
(1) Is not exempt under section 1707.02 of the Revised Code,	1857
nor the subject matter of one of the transactions exempted in	1858
section 1707.03, 1707.04, or 1707.34 of the Revised Code, has not	1859
been registered by coordination or qualification, and is not the	1860
subject matter of a transaction that has been registered by	1861
description;	1862
(2) The prescribed fees for registering by description, by	1863
coordination, or by qualification have not been paid in respect to	1864
such security;	1865
(3) Such person has been notified by the division, or has	1866
knowledge of the notice, that the right to buy, sell, or deal in	1867
such security has been suspended or revoked, or that the	1868
registration by description, by coordination, or by qualification	1869
under which it may be sold has been suspended or revoked;	1870
(4) The offer or sale is accompanied by a statement that the	1871
security offered or sold has been or is to be in any manner	1872
indorsed by the division.	1873

- (D) No person who is an officer, director, or trustee of, or a dealer for, any issuer, and who knows such issuer to be 1875 insolvent in that the liabilities of the issuer exceed its assets, shall sell any securities of or for any such issuer, without 1877 disclosing the fact of the insolvency to the purchaser. 1878
- (E) No person with intent to aid in the sale of any 1879 securities on behalf of the issuer, shall knowingly make any 1880 representation not authorized by such issuer or at material 1881 variance with statements and documents filed with the division by 1882 such issuer.
- (F) No person, with intent to deceive, shall sell, cause to 1884 be sold, offer for sale, or cause to be offered for sale, any 1885 securities of an insolvent issuer, with knowledge that such issuer 1886 is insolvent in that the liabilities of the issuer exceed its 1887 assets, taken at their fair market value. 1888
- (G) No person in purchasing or selling securities shall 1889 knowingly engage in any act or practice that is, in this chapter, 1890 declared illegal, defined as fraudulent, or prohibited. 1891
- (H) No licensed dealer shall refuse to buy from, sell to, or 1892 trade with any person because the person appears on a blacklist 1893 issued by, or is being boycotted by, any foreign corporate or 1894 governmental entity, nor sell any securities of or for any issuer 1895 who is known in relation to the issuance or sale of such 1896 securities to have engaged in such practices.
- (I) No dealer in securities, knowing that the dealer's 1898 liabilities exceed the reasonable value of the dealer's assets, 1899 shall accept money or securities, except in payment of or as 1900 security for an existing debt, from a customer who is ignorant of 1901 the dealer's insolvency, and thereby cause the customer to lose 1902 any part of the customer's securities or the value of those 1903 securities, by doing either of the following without the 1904

additional rules or regulations are promulgated pursuant to such
sections, the division of securities shall, by rule, adopt the
amendments, rules, or regulations, unless the division finds that
the amendments, rules, or regulations are not necessary for the
protection of investors or in the public interest.

- (M)(1) No investment adviser or investment adviser 1941 representative shall do any of the following: 1942
- (a) Employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud any 1943 person;
- (b) Engage in any act, practice, or course of business that 1945 operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person; 1946
- (c) In acting as principal for the investment adviser's or 1947 investment adviser representative's own account, knowingly sell 1948 any security to or purchase any security from a client, or in 1949 acting as salesperson for a person other than such client, 1950 knowingly effect any sale or purchase of any security for the 1951 account of such client, without disclosing to the client in 1952 writing before the completion of the transaction the capacity in 1953 which the investment adviser or investment adviser representative 1954 is acting and obtaining the consent of the client to the 1955 transaction. Division (M)(1)(c) of this section does not apply to 1956 any investment adviser registered with the securities and exchange 1957 commission under section 203 of the "Investment Advisers Act of 1958 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80b-3, or to any transaction with a customer of a 1959 licensed dealer or salesperson if the licensed dealer or 1960 salesperson is not acting as an investment adviser or investment 1961 adviser representative in relation to the transaction. 1962
- (d) Engage in any act, practice, or course of business that
 is fraudulent, deceptive, or manipulative. The division of
 securities may adopt rules reasonably designed to prevent such
 acts, practices, or courses of business as are fraudulent,
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executed and enforced.

(O) An "emergency" exists when an emergency exists for other	2027
corporations as the same is defined and described in section	2028
1701.01 of the Revised Code.	2029
(P) "Superintendent of credit unions" means the "division of	2030
financial institutions" or the "superintendent of the division of	2031
financial institutions of this state"; and whenever the context	2032
requires it, may be read as "director of commerce" or as "chief of	2033
the division of financial institutions." Whenever the division or	2034
superintendent of credit unions is referred to or designated in	2035
any statute, rule, contract, or other document, the reference or	2036
designation shall be deemed to refer to the division or	2037
superintendent of financial institutions, as the case may be.	2038
(Q) "Outside auditor" means an accountant who is licensed to	2039
practice as a certified public accountant or public accountant by	2040
this state, and who is retained by a credit union to audit its	2041
accounts, but who is not otherwise employed by the credit union.	2042
(R) "Regulated individual" means a director, committee	2043
member, officer, or employee of a credit union.	2044
(S) "Financial institution regulatory authority" includes a	2045
regulator of business activity in which a credit union is engaged,	2046
or has applied to engage in, to the extent that the regulator has	2047
jurisdiction over a credit union engaged in that business	2048
activity. A credit union is engaged in a business activity, and a	2049
regulator of that business activity has jurisdiction over the	2050
credit union, whether the credit union conducts the activity	2051
directly or a subsidiary or affiliate of the credit union conducts	2052
the activity.	2053
Sec. 1733.32. (A)(1) The superintendent of financial	2054
institutions shall see that the laws relating to credit unions are	2055

- (2) The deputy superintendent for credit unions shall be the 2057 principal supervisor of credit unions. In that position the deputy 2058 superintendent for credit unions shall, notwithstanding division 2059 (A)(3) of this section, be responsible for conducting examinations 2060 and preparing examination reports under that division. In 2061 addition, the deputy superintendent for credit unions shall, 2062 notwithstanding sections 1733.191, 1733.41, 1733.411, and 1733.412 2063 of the Revised Code, have the authority to adopt rules in 2064 accordance with those sections, and, notwithstanding section 2065 1733.05 of the Revised Code, shall have the authority to approve 2066 issues and matters pertaining to fields of membership. In 2067 performing or exercising any of the examination, rule-making, or 2068 other regulatory functions, powers, or duties vested by division 2069 (A)(2) of this section in the deputy superintendent for credit 2070 unions, the deputy superintendent for credit unions shall be 2071 subject to the control of the superintendent of financial 2072 institutions. 2073
- (3) The superintendent shall develop and implement a system 2074 for evaluating the safety and soundness of credit unions and for 2075 determining when examinations and supervisory actions are 2076 necessary. Credit unions shall be subject to periodic 2077 examinations, as specified in rules adopted by the superintendent, 2078 and their books, records, and accounts shall be open to the 2079 inspection of the superintendent at all times. For the purpose of 2080 such examination or inspection, the superintendent may subpoena 2081 witnesses, administer oaths, receive testimony, and order the 2082 submission of documents. 2083
- (B) Every credit union shall prepare and submit, on forms 2084 provided by the superintendent, a financial report to the 2085 superintendent showing its assets and liabilities whenever 2086 requested to do so by the superintendent. Every financial report 2087 shall be verified by the oaths of the two principal officers in 2088

described in this section are collected, the credit union council

unions and may be used by the examined credit union only in the

conduct of its business. Under no circumstances may the credit

union, its current or former directors, officers, employees,

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Sec. 1733.327. (A) All conferences and administrative 2210 proceedings under sections 1733.324 and 1733.325 of the Revised 2211 Code, the fact of their actual or anticipated occurrence, and all 2212 notices, agreements, hearings, orders, records, evidence, 2213 transcripts, and other writings, happenings, or things pertaining 2214

to those conferences or proceedings, shall be kept confidential as	2215
among the superintendent of credit unions financial institutions,	2216
the director of commerce, the deputy director of financial	2217
institutions, the governor, the credit union or regulated	2218
individual who is party to the conference or proceedings,	2219
witnesses in the conference or proceedings, and other persons	2220
specifically designated by the superintendent or director. In	2221
designating specific persons who may be present or acquire	2222
knowledge of matters made confidential by this division, the	2223
superintendent and director shall not exclude attorneys or other	2224
suitable representatives of the credit union, or of any regulated	2225
individual, who is party to the conference or proceedings. If the	2226
conference or proceedings apply to a regulated individual, the	2227
superintendent and director shall not exclude suitable	2228
representatives of the credit union of which such regulated	2229
individual is an officer, director, or employee.	2230

- (B) Division (A) of this section ceases to apply upon the 2231 occurrence of any of the following: 2232
- (1) An action is brought to recover a forfeiture for the 2233 violation of an agreement concluded, or a final or summary 2234 cease-and-desist order issued, under section 1733.324 or 1733.325 2235 of the Revised Code. A forfeiture, in the absence of such an 2236 action for recovery, does not waive division (A) of this section 2237 except insofar as the forfeiture must be reflected or reported in 2238 the financial records or reports of the credit union or regulated 2239 individual. 2240
- (2) Information made confidential by division (A) of this

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 section is needed as evidence in a criminal proceeding; in

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 proceedings under section 1733.37 of the Revised Code; or in the

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 work of a committee of the general assembly; 2244
- (3) The superintendent furnishes information made 2245 confidential by division (A) of this section to the applicable 2246

(E) A health insuring corporation may comply with this	2308
section and section 1751.83 of the Revised Code by establishing	2309
one system for receiving and reviewing complaints and requests for	2310
internal review from enrollees and subscribers if the system meets	2311
the requirements of both sections.	2312
Sec. 3901.045. (A) The superintendent of insurance may	2313
receive documents and information, including otherwise	2314
confidential or privileged documents and information, from local,	2315
state, federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement	2316
agencies, from local, state, and federal prosecutors, and from the	2317
national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates	2318
and subsidiaries, provided that the superintendent maintains as	2319
confidential or privileged any document or information received	2320
with notice or the understanding that the document or information	2321
is confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction	2322
that is the source of the document or information.	2323
(B) The superintendent may also receive documents and	2324
information, including otherwise confidential or privileged	2325
documents and information, from the chief deputy rehabilitator,	2326
the chief deputy liquidator, other deputy rehabilitators and	2327
liquidators, and from any other person employed by, or acting on	2328
behalf of, the superintendent pursuant to Chapter 3901. or 3903.	2329
of the Revised Code, provided that the superintendent maintains as	2330
confidential or privileged any document or information received	2331
with the notice or understanding that the document or information	2332
is confidential or privileged, except that the superintendent may	2333
share and disclose such a document or information when authorized	2334
by other sections of the Revised Code.	2335
(C) The superintendent has the authority to maintain as	2336

confidential or privileged the documents and information received

pursuant to this section.

appropriate, after giving the insurer and those affiliates that

are the subject of the documents and information notice and an

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- (B) All papers, documents, reports, and evidence in the 2433 possession of the superintendent or the superintendent's designee 2434 that pertain to an insurance fraud investigation are confidential 2435 law enforcement investigatory records under section 149.43 of the 2436 Revised Code. Notwithstanding such section, the superintendent 2437 shall not prohibit public inspection of such records that pertain 2438 to an insurance fraud investigation after the expiration of all 2439 federal and state statutes of limitations applicable to the 2440 particular offense to which the papers, documents, reports, and 2441 evidence relate. 2442
- (C) All papers, documents, reports, and evidence in the 2443 possession of the superintendent that do not pertain to such an 2444 insurance fraud investigation are public records under section 2445 149.43 of the Revised Code, and are not by such possession alone 2446 confidential law enforcement investigatory records. 2447
- (D) All papers, documents, reports, and evidence in the 2448 possession of the superintendent or the superintendent's designee 2449 that pertain to such an insurance fraud investigation are not 2450 subject to subpoena in civil actions by any court of this state 2451 until opened for public inspection by the superintendent in 2452 accordance with division (B) of this section or with section 2453 149.43 of the Revised Code, unless the superintendent or the 2454 superintendent's designee consents, or until after reasonable 2455 notice to the superintendent and opportunity for hearing, the 2456 court determines the superintendent would not be hindered 2457 unnecessarily by such subpoena. 2458
- (E) Notwithstanding divisions (B), (C), and (D) of this section, the superintendent may do either of the following:
- (1) Share documents, reports, and evidence that are the
 subject of this section with the chief deputy rehabilitator, the
 chief deputy liquidator, other deputy rehabilitators and
 liquidators, and any other person employed by, or acting on behalf
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this section in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action

brought by or on behalf of the superintendent, the rehabilitator,

the liquidator, or the state resulting from the exercise of the

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2527 shall remain the property of the certified public accountant. Any copies of these work papers voluntarily given to the 2528 superintendent shall be the property of the superintendent. The 2529 original work papers or any copies of them, whether in possession 2530 of the certified public accountant or the department of insurance, 2531 are confidential and privileged and are not a public record as 2532 defined in section 149.43 of the Revised Code. The original work 2533 papers and any copies of them are not subject to subpoena and 2534 shall not be made public by the superintendent or any other 2535 person. However, the original work papers and any copies of them 2536 may be released by the superintendent to the insurance regulatory 2537 authority of any other state if that authority agrees to maintain 2538 the confidentiality of the work papers or copies and if the work 2539 papers and copies are not public records under the laws of that 2540 state. 2541

(B) The work papers of the superintendent or of the person 2542 appointed by the superintendent, resulting from the conduct of an 2543 examination made pursuant to section 3901.07 of the Revised Code 2544 or from the conduct of a financial analysis of any entity subject 2545 to examination by the superintendent, including but not limited to 2546 any insurance company, health insuring corporation, fraternal 2547 benefit society, or multiple employer welfare arrangement, are 2548 confidential and privileged and are not a public record as defined 2549 in section 149.43 of the Revised Code. The original work papers 2550 and any copies of them are not subject to subpoena and shall not 2551 2552 be made public by the superintendent or any other person. However, the original work papers and any copies of them may be released by 2553 the superintendent to the insurance regulatory authority of any 2554 other state if that authority agrees to maintain the 2555 confidentiality of the work papers or copies and if the work 2556 papers and copies are not public records under the laws of that 2557 2558 state.

- (C) The work papers of the superintendent or of any person 2559 appointed by the superintendent, resulting from the conduct of a 2560 performance regulation examination made pursuant to authority 2561 granted under section 3901.011 of the Revised Code, are 2562 confidential and privileged and are not a public record as defined 2563 in section 149.43 of the Revised Code. The original work papers 2564 and any copies of them are not subject to subpoena and shall not 2565 be made public by the superintendent or any other person. However, 2566 the original work papers and any copies of them may be released by 2567 the superintendent to the insurance regulatory authority of any 2568 other state if that authority agrees to maintain the 2569 2570 confidentiality of the work papers or copies and if the work papers and copies are not public records under the laws of that 2571 state. 2572
- (D) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this

 section, the superintendent may do either of the following:

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- (1) Share work papers that are the subject of this section with the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy liquidator, other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators, and any other person employed by, or acting on behalf of, the superintendent pursuant to Chapter 3901. or 3903. of the Revised Code, with other local, state, federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement agencies, with local, state, and federal prosecutors, and with the national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries, provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidential or privileged status of the confidential or privileged work paper and has authority to do so;
- (2) Disclose work papers that are the subject of this section 2586 in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought by or 2587 on behalf of the superintendent or the state, resulting from the 2588 exercise of the superintendent's official duties. 2589

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(E) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D) of this	2591
section, the superintendent may authorize the national association	2592
of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries by	2593
agreement to share confidential or privileged work papers received	2594
pursuant to division (D)(1) of this section with local, state,	2595
federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement agencies	2596
and with local, state, and federal prosecutors, provided that the	2597
recipient agrees to maintain the confidential or privileged status	2598
of the confidential or privileged work paper and has authority to	2599
do so.	2600
(F) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D) of this	2601
section, the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy	2602
liquidator, and other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators may	2603
disclose work papers that are the subject of this section in the	2604
furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought by or on	2605
behalf of the superintendent, the rehabilitator, the liquidator,	2606
or the state resulting from the exercise of the superintendent's	2607
official duties in any capacity.	2608
(G) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the superintendent	2609
from receiving work papers in accordance with section 3901.045 of	2610
the Revised Code.	2611
(H) The superintendent may enter into agreements governing	2612
the sharing and use of work papers consistent with the	2613
requirements of this section.	2614
(I)(1) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of	2615
confidentiality in the work papers, or copies thereof, that are	2616
the subject of this section shall occur as a result of sharing or	2617
receiving work papers as authorized in divisions (D)(1), (E), and	2618
(G) of this section.	2619
(2) The disclosure of work papers in connection with a	2620

regulatory or legal action pursuant to divisions (D)(2) and (F) of

superintendent, the rehabilitator, the liquidator, or the state

(B) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, the	2716
superintendent may share a record that is the subject of this	2717
section in connection with the investigation or prosecution of any	2718
illegal or criminal activity with the chief deputy rehabilitator,	2719
the chief deputy liquidator, other deputy rehabilitators and	2720
liquidators, and any other person employed by, or acting on behalf	2721
of, the superintendent pursuant to Chapter 3901. or 3903. of the	2722
Revised Code, with other local, state, federal, and international	2723
regulatory and law enforcement agencies, with local, state, and	2724
federal prosecutors, and with the national association of	2725
insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries,	2726
provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidential or	2727
privileged status of the confidential or privileged record and has	2728
authority to do so.	2729
(C) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the superintendent	2730
from receiving records in accordance with section 3901.045 of the	2731
Revised Code.	2732
(D) The superintendent may enter into agreements governing	2733
the sharing and use of records consistent with the requirements of	2734
this section.	2735
(E) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of	2736
confidentiality in the records that are the subject of this	2737
section shall occur as a result of sharing or receiving records as	2738
authorized in divisions (B) and (C) of this section.	2739
Sec. 3903.11. (A) In all proceedings and judicial reviews	2740
thereof under sections 3903.09 and 3903.10 of the Revised Code,	2741
all records of the insurer, other documents, and all department of	2742
insurance files and court records and papers, so far as they	2743
pertain to or are a part of the record of the proceedings, shall	2744
be and remain confidential and privileged except as is necessary	2745

to enforce compliance with those sections, unless and until the

prosecutors, provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the

annually value, or cause to be valued, the reserve liabilities, referred to in this section as reserves, for all outstanding life insurance policies and annuity and pure endowment contracts of every life insurance company doing business in this state. The superintendent may certify the amount of such reserves, specifying the mortality tables, rates of interest, and net level premium method and other methods used to calculate reserves. In calculating reserves, the superintendent may use group methods and approximate averages for fractions of a year or otherwise. The valuation of the reserves of a company organized under the laws of a foreign government shall be limited to its United States business.

In lieu of a valuation of the reserves of a foreign company, the superintendent may accept the valuation made, or caused to be made, by the insurance supervisory official of any state or other jurisdiction when such valuation complies with the minimum standards required by this section, provided such official accepts the certificate of valuation of the superintendent when such certificate states that the valuation was made in a specified manner and when such valuation complies with the minimum standards required by the law of that state or jurisdiction.

A company, which adopts a standard of valuation producing aggregate reserves greater than those required by this section, may adopt a lower standard of valuation with the approval of the superintendent, but not lower than the minimum provided by this section. However, the holding of additional reserves previously determined by a qualified actuary to be necessary for the actuary to render the opinions required by divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section shall not be deemed to be the adoption of a higher standard of valuation.

(B)(1) Every life insurance company doing business in this 2839 state shall annually submit to the superintendent the opinion of a 2840

qualified actuary as to whether the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of the policies and contracts specified by rule by the superintendent are computed appropriately, are based on assumptions that satisfy contractual provisions, and are consistent with prior reported amounts. The opinion shall be submitted no later than March 1, 1996, and no later than the first day of March of each year thereafter. The superintendent shall adopt rules establishing the form and content of this opinion, and may require the life insurance company to supply information in addition to that contained in the actuarial opinion.

As used in this section, a "qualified actuary" means a person who is a member in good standing of the American academy of actuaries and who meets the requirements set by rule by the superintendent.

- (2)(a) Every life insurance company, except as exempted by rule adopted by the superintendent, shall also include in the annual opinion required by division (B)(1) of this section an opinion of the same qualified actuary as to whether the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of the policies and contracts specified by rule by the superintendent, when considered in light of the assets held by the company with respect to the reserves and related actuarial items, including, but not limited to, the investment earnings on the assets and the considerations anticipated to be received and retained under the policies and contracts, make adequate provision for the company's obligations under the policies and contracts, including, but not limited to, the benefits under and the expenses associated with the policies and contracts.
- (b) The superintendent may provide by rule for a transition period for establishing any higher reserves that the qualified actuary may consider necessary to render the opinion required by division (B) of this section.

- (c) Each opinion required by division (B) of this section
 shall be supported by a memorandum prepared in form and content as
 specified by rule by the superintendent.
 (d) If a life insurance company fails to provide a supporting
- memorandum within the period of time specified by rule by the 2877 superintendent, or if the superintendent determines that a 2878 supporting memorandum fails to meet the standards set out in the 2879 rule, or is otherwise unacceptable to the superintendent, the 2880 superintendent may employ, at the expense of the insurance 2881 company, a qualified actuary to review the opinion and the basis 2882 for the opinion and prepare such supporting memorandum as is 2883 required by the superintendent. 2884
- (3) Every opinion required by division (B) of this section is 2885 governed by the following: 2886
- (a) The opinion shall be submitted with the annual statement 2887 reflecting the valuation of the reserve liabilities. 2888
- (b) The opinion shall apply to all business in force 2889 including individual and group health insurance plans. 2890
- (c) The opinion shall be based on standards adopted from time 2891 to time by the actuarial standards board of the American academy 2892 of actuaries and on such additional standards as the 2893 superintendent may prescribe by rule. 2894
- (d) In the case of an opinion required to be submitted by a 2895 foreign or alien life insurance company, the superintendent may 2896 accept the opinion filed by that company with the insurance 2897 regulatory authority of another state if the superintendent 2898 determines that the opinion reasonably meets the requirements 2899 applicable to a company domiciled in this state. 2900
- (e) Except in cases of fraud or willful misconduct, the 2901 qualified actuary is not liable for damages in any civil action to 2902 any person, other than the insurance company and the 2903

(i) Disclose memoranda and other materials described in this

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superintendent may do any of the following:

- (a) On and after November 5, 1959, or an earlier date, not 3030 before July 17, 1947, specified in a written notice by the company 3031 to the superintendent of its election to use this table and before 3032 division (D)(1)(b) of this section became operative for subsequent 3033 policy issues, the commissioners 1941 standard ordinary mortality 3034 table and three and one-half per cent interest; 3035
- (b) On and after January 1, 1966, or an earlier date, not 3036 before November 5, 1959, specified in a written notice by the 3037 company to the superintendent of its election to use this table 3038 and before division (D)(1)(c) of this section becomes operative 3039 for subsequent policy issues, the commissioners 1958 standard 3040 ordinary mortality table and three and one-half per cent interest 3041 before January 1, 1975; four per cent interest on and after 3042 January 1, 1975 and before January 1, 1979; and four and one-half 3043 per cent interest on and after January 1, 1979; provided that 3044 modified premiums and present values for female risks may be 3045 calculated at an age three years younger than the actual age of 3046 the insured for policies issued before January 1, 1979, and at an 3047 age six years younger for policies issued on and after January 1, 3048 1979. 3049
- (c) On and after January 1, 1989, or an earlier date, not 3050 before January 1, 1983, specified in a written notice by the 3051 company to the superintendent of its election to use this table, 3052 the commissioners 1980 standard ordinary mortality table and the 3053 applicable valuation interest rate as defined in section 3903.721 3054 of the Revised Code. The company may elect to use the 3055 commissioners 1980 standard ordinary mortality table with ten-year 3056 select mortality factors for any specified plan of life insurance. 3057 The superintendent may approve the use of any ordinary mortality 3058 table adopted after 1980 by the national association of insurance 3059 commissioners for determining the minimum standard for the 3060 valuation of such policies. 3061

- (2) For industrial life insurance policies, excluding 3062
 disability and accidental death benefits, issued on the standard 3063
 basis: 3064
- (a) On and after November 5, 1959, or an earlier date, not 3065 before July 17, 1947, specified in a written notice by the company 3066 to the superintendent of its election to use this table and before 3067 division (D)(2)(b) of this section became operative for subsequent 3068 policy issues, the 1941 standard industrial mortality table and 3069 three and one-half per cent interest; 3070
- (b) On and after January 1, 1968, or an earlier date, not 3071 before September 2, 1963, specified in a written notice by the 3072 company to the superintendent of its election to use this table, 3073 the commissioners 1961 standard industrial mortality table and 3074 three and one-half per cent interest before January 1, 1975; four 3075 per cent interest on and after January 1, 1975 and before January 3076 1, 1979; four and one-half per cent interest on and after January 3077 1, 1979 and before January 1, 1989, or before an earlier date, not 3078 before January 1, 1983, specified in a written notice by the 3079 company to the superintendent of its election to issue such 3080 policies pursuant to the provisions of the nonforfeiture law for 3081 life insurance provided in section 3915.071 of the Revised Code. 3082 On and after January 1, 1989, or such earlier date, the interest 3083 rate to be used in calculating the minimum reserve for such 3084 policies is the applicable valuation interest rate as defined in 3085 section 3903.721 of the Revised Code. The superintendent may 3086 approve the use of any industrial mortality table adopted after 3087 1980 by the national association of insurance commissioners for 3088 determining the minimum standard for the valuation of such 3089 policies. 3090
- (3) For all individual annuity and pure endowment contracts, 3091 excluding disability and accidental death benefits, issued: 3092
 - (a) On and after November 5, 1959, or an earlier date, not

before July 17, 1947, as of which the company elected to comply	3094
with this division (D)(3)(a) and before division (D)(3)(b) of this	3095
section became operative for subsequent contract issues, the 1937	3096
standard annuity mortality table, or, at the option of the	3097
company, the annuity mortality table for 1949, ultimate, or any	3098
modification of either table approved by the superintendent and	3099
three and one-half per cent interest;	3100

- (b) On and after January 1, 1979, or an earlier date, not 3101 before January 1, 1975, specified by the company in a written 3102 notice to the superintendent of its election to use this table, 3103 the 1971 individual annuity mortality table or any modification of 3104 that table approved by the superintendent and four per cent 3105 interest on and after January 1, 1975 and before January 1, 1979; 3106 four and one-half per cent interest on and after January 1, 1979, 3107 and before January 1, 1983; and the valuation interest rate as 3108 defined in section 3903.721 of the Revised Code on and after 3109 January 1, 1983, except that on and after January 1, 1975, and 3110 before January 1, 1979, the interest rate is six per cent for 3111 single premium immediate contracts and on and after January 1, 3112 1979, and before January 1, 1983, the interest rate is five and 3113 one-half per cent for single premium deferred contracts and seven 3114 and one-half per cent for single premium immediate contracts. The 3115 superintendent may approve the use of any individual annuity 3116 mortality table adopted after 1980 by the national association of 3117 insurance commissioners, either as adopted or as modified by the 3118 superintendent, for determining the minimum standard for the 3119 valuation of such contracts. 3120
- (4) For all annuity and pure endowment contracts, excluding3121disability and accidental death benefits, purchased under group3122annuity and pure endowment contracts:3123
- (a) On and after November 5, 1959, or an earlier date, not 3124 before July 17, 1947, as of which the company elected to comply 3125

with this division (D)(4)(a) and before division (D)(4)(b) of this	3126
section became operative for subsequent contract purchases, the	3127
group annuity mortality table for 1951, any modification of this	3128
table approved by the superintendent, or either of the tables, or	3129
modification of either of them, specified in division (D)(3)(a) of	3130
this section for individual annuity and pure endowment contracts	3131
and three and one-half per cent interest;	3132

- (b) On and after January 1, 1979, or an earlier date, not 3133 before January 1, 1975, specified by the company in a written 3134 notice to the superintendent of its election to use this table, 3135 the 1971 group annuity mortality table, or any modification of 3136 that table approved by the superintendent, and six per cent 3137 interest on and after January 1, 1975, and before January 1, 1979; 3138 seven and one-half per cent interest on and after January 1, 1979, 3139 and before January 1, 1983, and the valuation interest rate as 3140 defined in section 3903.721 of the Revised Code on and after 3141 January 1, 1983. The superintendent may approve the use of any 3142 group annuity mortality table adopted after 1980 by the national 3143 association of insurance commissioners, either as adopted or as 3144 modified by the superintendent, for determining the minimum 3145 standard for the valuation of such contracts. 3146
- (5) For total and permanent disability benefits in or 3147 supplementary to ordinary policies and contracts issued: 3148
- (a) On and after July 17, 1947, and before January 1, 1961, 3149 the class (3) disability table (1926) and three and one-half per 3150 cent interest. This table, for active lives, shall be combined 3151 with a mortality table permitted for calculating the reserves for 3152 life insurance policies. 3153
- (b) On and after January 1, 1961, the tables of period 2 3154 disablement rates and the 1930 to 1950 termination rates of the 3155 1952 disability study of the society of actuaries, with due regard 3156 for the type of benefit; except that a company may, at its option, 3157

use the class (3) disability table (1926) for policies and contracts issued on and after January 1, 1961, and before January 1, 1966. Any such table, for active lives, shall be combined with a mortality table permitted for calculating the reserves for life insurance policies. The interest rate to be used in calculating minimum reserves for such benefits may not exceed the applicable rate specified in division (D)(1) of this section for ordinary life insurance policies. The superintendent may approve the use of any table of disablement rates and termination rates adopted after 1980 by the national association of insurance commissioners for determining the minimum standard for the valuation of such total and permanent benefits.

- (6) For accidental death benefits in or supplementary to policies issued:
- (a) On and after July 17, 1947, and before January 1, 1961, the inter-company double indemnity mortality table and three and one-half per cent interest. This table shall be combined with a mortality table permitted for calculating the reserves for life insurance policies.
- (b) On and after January 1, 1961, the 1959 accidental death benefits table; except that a company may, at its option, use the inter-company double indemnity mortality table for policies issued on and after January 1, 1961, and before January 1, 1966. Either table shall be combined with a mortality table permitted for calculating the reserves for life insurance policies. The interest rate to be used in calculating the minimum reserves for such benefits may not exceed the applicable rate specified in division (D)(1) of this section for ordinary life insurance policies. The superintendent may approve the use of any accidental death benefits table adopted after 1980 by the national association of insurance commissioners for determining the minimum standard for the valuation of such accidental death benefits.

- (7) For group life insurance, life insurance issued on the 3190 substandard basis and all other special benefits, such tables as 3191 may be approved by the superintendent and interest not to exceed 3192 the applicable rate used in division (D)(1) of this section for 3193 ordinary life insurance policies. 3194
- (E) This division defines the commissioners reserve valuation method for all policies, riders, and supplemental policy provisions, with life insurance or endowment benefits, or both, providing for uniform amounts of life insurance and requiring uniform premiums. Reserves for such policies, riders, and provisions, except as otherwise provided in divisions (F) and (K) of this section, shall be the excess, if any, of the present value on the valuation date of the future guaranteed benefits over the present value on that date of the future modified net premiums. The modified net premium is a uniform percentage of each contract premium specified for the guaranteed benefits such that the present value, at the date of issue, of all modified net premiums shall be equal to the present value, on the date of issue, of the future guaranteed benefits plus the excess of division (E)(1) over division (E)(2) of this section, as follows:
- (1) A net level annual premium equal to the present value, at the date of issue, of such benefits provided for after the first policy year, divided by the present value, at the date of issue, of an annuity of one per annum payable on the first and each subsequent anniversary of the policy on which a premium falls due; provided that such net level annual premium shall not exceed the net level annual premium on the nineteen-year premium whole life plan for insurance of the same amount at an age one year higher than the age at issue of the policy.
- (2) A net one-year term premium for such benefits provided 3219 for in the first policy year. 3220
 - (F) This division defines the commissioners reserve valuation

(2) Group annuity and pure endowment contracts purchased

of varying premiums;

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Reserves for benefits under such contracts, excluding 3277 disability and accidental death benefits, shall be the greatest of 3278 the respective excesses of the present values, at the date of 3279 valuation, of the future guaranteed benefits, including guaranteed 3280 nonforfeiture benefits, provided for by such contract at the end 3281 of each respective contract year, over the present value, at the 3282 date of valuation, of any future valuation considerations derived 3283

from future gross considerations required by the terms of the
contract that become payable prior to the end of each such
respective contract year. The future guaranteed benefits shall be
determined by using the mortality table, if any, and the interest
rate, or rates, specified in such contracts for determining
guaranteed benefits. The valuation considerations are the portions
of the respective gross considerations applied under the terms of
such contracts to determine nonforfeiture values.

(I) In no event shall a company's aggregate reserves for all life insurance policies, to which division (D) of this section applies, excluding disability and accidental death benefits, be less than the aggregate reserves calculated in accordance with the method set forth in divisions (E), (F), (G), (K), and (L) of this section and the mortality table or tables and rate or rates of interest used in calculating nonforfeiture benefits for such policies.

In no event shall the aggregate reserves for all policies, contracts, and benefits be less than the aggregate reserves determined by the qualified actuary to be necessary to render the opinion required by division (B) of this section.

- (J) Reserves for any category of policies, contracts, or benefits as established by the superintendent may be calculated, at the option of the company, according to any standards which produce aggregate reserves for such category greater than those calculated according to the minimum standards provided in this section, but the rate or rates of interest used for policies and contracts, other than annuity and pure endowment contracts, shall not be higher than the corresponding rate or rates of interest used in calculating any nonforfeiture benefits provided for in such standards.
- (K) If in any contract year the valuation net premium calculated by the method used in calculating the reserve for a

policy or contract but using the minimum valuation standards of mortality and rate of interest is more than the gross premium for such policy or contract, the minimum reserve required for such policy or contract shall be the greater of either the reserve calculated according to the mortality table, rate of interest, and method actually used for such policy or contract, or the reserve calculated by such method but using the minimum valuation standards of mortality and rate of interest and replacing the valuation net premium by the actual gross premium in each contract year for which the valuation net premium exceeds the actual gross premium. The minimum valuation standards of mortality and rate of interest referred to in this division are those required by division (D) of this section.

For the purposes of this division, the minimum reserve for any policy to which the provisions of division (F) of this section apply shall be calculated as if the method used in calculating the reserve for such policy were the method defined in division (E) of this section. The minimum reserve for such policy shall be the greater of the reserve calculated in accordance with division (F) of this section and in accordance with this division.

(L) Methods for determining the reserves for plans of life insurance or annuity which are of such a nature that minimum reserves cannot be determined by the methods described in this section shall be promulgated by rule adopted by the superintendent. The reserves to be held under such plans must be appropriate in relation to the benefits and the pattern of premiums for each plan and must be computed by methods which are consistent with the principles of this section. This division applies to any plan of life insurance which provides for future premium determination, the amounts of which are to be determined by the company on the basis of an estimate of future experience made at the time of any such determination.

(M) The superintendent shall adopt rules specifying minimum	3348
reserve standards for the valuation of individual and group health	3349
plans.	3350
Sec. 3903.83. (A) For purposes of sections 3903.81 to 3903.93	3351
of the Revised Code, a "company action level event" is any of the	3352
following events:	3353
(1) A domestic or foreign insurer's filing of an RBC report	3354
that indicates that the insurer's total adjusted capital is	3355
greater than or equal to its regulatory action level RBC but less	3356
than its company action level RBC;	3357
(2) A life or health insurer's filing of an RBC report that	3358
indicates that the insurer's total adjusted capital is greater	3359
than or equal to its company action level RBC but less than the	3360
product of 2.5 and its authorized control level RBC, and that	3361
indicates a negative trend;	3362
(3) The notification by the superintendent of insurance to an	3363
insurer of an adjustment to the insurer's RBC report, which	3364
adjusted RBC report shows the insurer's total adjusted capital	3365
within the range described in either division $(A)(1)$ or (2) of	3366
this section, provided that the insurer does not challenge the	3367
adjusted RBC report under section 3903.87 of the Revised Code;	3368
(4) The superintendent's notification to an insurer,	3369
following the hearing required under section 3903.87 of the	3370
Revised Code, that the superintendent has rejected the insurer's	3371
challenge to an adjusted RBC report showing the insurer's total	3372
adjusted capital within the range described in either division	3373
(A)(1) or (2) of this section.	3374
(B) In the case of a company action level event, the insurer	3375
shall prepare and submit to the superintendent an RBC plan that	3376
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(1) Identify the conditions that contributed to the company 3378 action level event; 3379 (2) Contain proposals of corrective actions that the insurer 3380 intends to take to eliminate the conditions leading to the company 3381 action level event; 3382 (3) Provide projections of the insurer's financial results in 3383 the current year and at least the four succeeding years, both in 3384 the absence of the proposed corrective actions and giving effect 3385 to the proposed corrective actions. The projections shall include 3386 projections of statutory operating income, net income, capital, 3387 and surplus. Projections for both new and renewal business may 3388 include separate projections for each major line of business, and 3389 may separately identify each significant income, expense, and 3390 benefit component of the projection. 3391 (4) Identify the key assumptions impacting the insurer's 3392 projections made pursuant to division (B)(3) of this section, and 3393 describe the sensitivity of the projections to the assumptions; 3394 (5) Identify the quality of, and problems associated with, 3395 the insurer's business, including, but not limited to, its assets, 3396 anticipated business growth and associated surplus strain, 3397 extraordinary exposure to risk, mix of business, and use of 3398 reinsurance. 3399 (C) The RBC plan shall be submitted within forty-five days 3400 after a company action level event. However, if an insurer has 3401 challenged an adjusted RBC report pursuant to section 3903.87 of 3402 the Revised Code, the RBC plan need not be submitted until after 3403 the hearing required under section 3903.87 of the Revised Code. If 3404 the superintendent rejects the insurer's challenge, the RBC plan 3405 shall be submitted within forty-five days after the 3406

superintendent's notification to the insurer of the rejection of

- (D)(1) Within sixty days after an insurer submits an RBC plan 3409 to the superintendent, the superintendent shall either require the 3410 insurer to implement the RBC plan or shall notify the insurer that 3411 the RBC plan is unsatisfactory in the judgment of the 3412 superintendent. If the superintendent has determined that the RBC 3413 plan is unsatisfactory, the notification to the insurer shall set 3414 forth the reasons for the determination, and may set forth 3415 proposed revisions that will render the RBC plan satisfactory in 3416 the judgment of the superintendent. Upon such notification from 3417 the superintendent, the insurer shall prepare and submit a revised 3418 RBC plan, which may incorporate by reference any revisions 3419 3420 proposed by the superintendent.
- (2) If an insurer challenges, under section 3903.87 of the 3421 Revised Code, a notification from the Superintendent that the 3422 insurer's RBC plan or a revised RBC plan is unsatisfactory, 3423 submission of a revised RBC plan need not be made unless the 3424 superintendent rejects the insurer's challenge following the 3425 hearing required by section 3903.87 of the Revised Code and then 3426 notifies the insurer of this rejection.
- (3) An insurer shall submit a revised RBC plan to the 3428 superintendent within forty-five days after receiving notification 3429 from the superintendent that its RBC plan is unsatisfactory, or, 3430 that its challenge to a notification made under division (D)(1) of 3431 this section has been rejected, as applicable. 3432
- (E) Notwithstanding division (D) of this section, if the 3433 superintendent notifies an insurer that its RBC plan or revised 3434 RBC plan is unsatisfactory, the superintendent may, at the 3435 superintendent's discretion, but subject to the insurer's right to 3436 a hearing under section 3903.87 of the Revised Code, specify in 3437 the notification that the notification constitutes a regulatory 3438 action level event.
 - (F) Every domestic insurer that submits an RBC plan or

(1) Use the plans, reports, information, and orders that are	3471
the subject of this section in accordance with the insurance laws	3472
of this state;	3473
(2) Share the plans, reports, information, and orders that	3474
are the subject of this section with the chief deputy	3475
rehabilitator, the chief deputy liquidator, other deputy	3476
rehabilitators and liquidators, and any other person employed by,	3477
or acting on behalf of, the superintendent pursuant to Chapter	3478
3901. or 3903. of the Revised Code, with other local, state,	3479
federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement	3480
agencies, with local, state, and federal prosecutors, and with the	3481
national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates	3482
and subsidiaries, provided that the recipient agrees to maintain	3483
the confidential or privileged status of the confidential or	3484
privileged plan, report, information, or order and has authority	3485
to do so;	3486
(3) Disclose plans, reports, information, and orders that are	3487
the subject of this section in the furtherance of any regulatory	3488
or legal action brought by or on behalf of the superintendent or	3489
the state, resulting from the exercise of the superintendent's	3490
official duties.	3491
(D) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this	3492
section, the superintendent may authorize the national association	3493
of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries by	3494
agreement to share confidential or privileged plans, reports,	3495
information, and orders received pursuant to division (C)(2) of	3496
this section with local, state, federal, and international	3497
regulatory and law enforcement agencies and with local, state, and	3498
federal prosecutors, provided that the recipient agrees to	3499
maintain the confidential or privileged status of the confidential	3500
or privileged plan, report, information, or order and has	3501
authority to do so.	3502

(E) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this	3503
section, the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy	3504
liquidator, and other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators may	3505
disclose plans, reports, information, and orders that are the	3506
subject of this section in the furtherance of any regulatory or	3507
legal action brought by or on behalf of the superintendent, the	3508
rehabilitator, the liquidator, or the state resulting from the	3509
exercise of the superintendent's official duties in any capacity.	3510
(F) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the superintendent	3511
from receiving plans, reports, information, and orders in	3512
accordance with section 3901.045 of the Revised Code.	3513
(G) The superintendent may enter into agreements governing	3514
the sharing and use of plans, reports, information, and orders	3515
consistent with the requirements of this section.	3516
(H)(1) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of	3517
confidentiality in the plans, reports, information, and orders	3518
that are the subject of this section shall occur as a result of	3519
sharing or receiving plans, reports, information, and orders as	3520
authorized in divisions (C)(2), (D), and (F) of this section.	3521
(2) The disclosure of a plan, report, information, or order	3522
in connection with a regulatory or legal action pursuant to	3523
divisions (C)(3) and (E) of this section does not prohibit an	3524
insurer or any other person from taking steps to limit the	3525
dissemination of the plan, report, information, or order to	3526
persons not involved in or the subject of the regulatory or legal	3527
action on the basis of any recognized privilege arising under any	3528
other section of the Revised Code or the common law.	3529
(I) The comparison of an insurer's total adjusted capital to	3530
any of its RBC levels shall not be used to rank insurers.	3531
$\frac{(D)}{(J)}$ RBC instructions, RBC reports, adjusted RBC reports,	3532
RBC plans, and revised RBC plans, shall not be used by the	3533

employees, or agents relating to an investigation of an applicant

for licensure under this chapter, or of an agent, solicitor,

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broker, or other person licensed under this chapter or Chapter	3566
3951., 3957., or 3959. of the Revised Code, are confidential and	3567
are not public records as defined in section 149.43 of the Revised	3568
Code until the applicant or licensee is provided notice and	3569
opportunity for hearing pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised	3570
Code with respect to such records or information. If no	3571
administrative action is initiated with respect to a particular	3572
matter about which the superintendent obtained records or other	3573
information as part of an investigation, all such records and	3574
information relating to that matter shall remain confidential for	3575
three years after the file on the matter is closed.	3576

- (2) Division (A)(1) of this section applies only to
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 investigations that could result in administrative action under
 Title XVII or XXXIX or Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
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- (B) The records and other information described in division 3580

 (A) of this section shall remain confidential for all purposes 3581 except when it is appropriate for the superintendent and the 3582 superintendent's deputies, examiners, assistants, or other 3583 employees, or agents to take official action regarding the affairs 3584 of the applicant or licensee or in connection with actual or 3585 potential criminal proceedings.
- (C) Employees or agents of the department of insurance shall
 not be required by any court in this state to testify in a civil
 action, if such testimony concerns any matter related to records
 or any other information considered confidential under this
 section of which they have knowledge.

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- (D) This section does not apply to any complaint or action 3592 under section 3905.04 of the Revised Code. Notwithstanding 3593 divisions (A) and (B) of this section, the superintendent may do either of the following: 3595
- (1) Share records and other information that are the subject 3596 of this section with the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief 3597

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deputy liquidator, other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators,	3598
and any other person employed by, or acting on behalf of, the	3599
superintendent pursuant to Chapter 3901. or 3903. of the Revised	3600
Code, with other local, state, federal, and international	3601
regulatory and law enforcement agencies, with local, state, and	3602
federal prosecutors, and with the national association of	3603
insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries,	3604
provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidential	3605
status of the confidential record or other information and has	3606
authority to do so;	3607
(2) Disclose records and other information that are the	3608
subject of this section in the furtherance of any regulatory or	3609
legal action brought by or on behalf of the superintendent or the	3610
state, resulting from the exercise of the superintendent's	3611
official duties.	3612
(D) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this	3613
section, the superintendent may authorize the national association	3614
of insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries by	3615
agreement to share confidential records and other information	3616
received pursuant to division (C)(1) of this section with local,	3617
state, federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement	3618
agencies and with local, state, and federal prosecutors, provided	3619
that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidential status of	3620
the confidential record or other information and has authority to	3621
do so.	3622
(E) Notwithstanding divisions (A), (B), and (C) of this	3623
section, the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy	3624
liquidator, and other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators may	3625
disclose records and other information that are the subject of	3626
this section in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action	3627
brought by or on behalf of the superintendent, the rehabilitator,	3628

the liquidator, or the state resulting from the exercise of the

employment by, or an exclusive agency contract with, a single

insurer or group of insurers under common ownership or control.	3660
(3) This section does not apply to an agent whose license has	3661
been suspended or revoked by the superintendent of insurance, an	3662
agent who has demonstrated gross incompetence, or an agent whose	3663
contract has been terminated for insolvency, abandonment, gross or	3664
willful misconduct, or failure to pay to the insurer, in	3665
accordance with the agency contract, moneys due to the insurer	3666
upon written demand of the insurer.	3667
(B) No insurer shall terminate an independent insurance agent	3668
contract of agency except by mutual agreement of the parties or	3669
upon one hundred eighty days' written notice to the independent	3670
insurance agent.	3671
(1) Such notice shall include specific reasons for the	3672
termination of the agent.	3673
(2) Such notice shall be sent by certified mail, return	3674
receipt requested, to the last known address of the agency.	3675
(C) During the one hundred eighty day notice period, an	3676
independent insurance agent shall not write or bind any new	3677
policies on behalf of an insurer without written approval from the	3678
insurer. However, during such period, an independent insurance	3679
agent, subject to the current underwriting rules, guidelines,	3680
commission rates, and practices of the insurer, may renew or	3681
effect any necessary changes or endorsements of outstanding	3682
policies of insurance that are in force prior to the date of	3683
receipt of the notice of termination.	3684
(D) None of the following constitutes an acceptable reason	3685
for the termination of a contract of agency:	3686
(1) Claims experience of the agent in a single year;	3687
(2) Claims experience due to catastrophies catastrophes of	3688
nature covered by a policy;	3689

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- (3) Claims experience under uninsured and underinsured 3690 motorist coverages. 3691
- (E) An agent aggrieved by the conduct of an insurer in its 3692 breach or termination of a contract of agency may file with the 3693 superintendent a request that the superintendent review the action 3694 to determine whether it is in accord with this section and the 3695 lawful provisions of the contract of agency and send a copy of the 3696 request to the insurer at the address of the office issuing the 3697 notice of termination. Upon receipt of such a request, an insurer 3698 shall promptly provide the independent insurance agent and 3699 superintendent with documentation in support of the insurer's 3700 stated reason for termination. 3701
- (F) The superintendent shall promptly investigate the allegation. If the superintendent has reasonable cause to believe that this section or the lawful provisions of the contract of agency have been violated, he the superintendent shall, within thirty days of receipt of a request for review, conduct an adjudication hearing subject to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, held upon not less than ten days' written notice to the agent and the insurer. Pending a final order in the adjudication hearing, the superintendent may take such interim action as necessary to protect the parties or the public. During the pendency of the proceeding before the superintendent, the contract of agency subject to the proceeding continues in force and divison (C) of this section applies. The superintendent shall, within thirty days following such hearing, issue an order approving or disapproving the action of the insurer. All final orders and decisions of the superintendent are subject to judicial review as provided in Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
- (G) An insurer shall not cancel or nonrenew any policy ofinsurance written through an agent upon the sole ground of thetermination of the agency until the expiration of the policy term

insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries,

authority to do so;

provided that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidential

status of the confidential information or documentation and has

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(2) Disclose any information or documentation that is the	3754
subject of this section in the furtherance of any regulatory or	3755
legal action brought by or on behalf of the superintendent or the	3756
state, resulting from the exercise of the superintendent's	3757
official duties.	3758
(J) Notwithstanding divisions (H) and (I) of this section,	3759
the superintendent may authorize the national association of	3760
insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries by	3761
agreement to share confidential information and documentation	3762
received pursuant to division (I)(1) of this section with local,	3763
state, federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement	3764
agencies and with local, state, and federal prosecutors, provided	3765
that the recipient agrees to maintain the confidential status of	3766
the confidential information or documentation and has authority to	3767
do so.	3768
(K) Notwithstanding divisions (H) and (I) of this section,	3769
the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy liquidator, and	3770
other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators may disclose	3771
information and documentation that is the subject of this section	3772
in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought by or	3773
on behalf of the superintendent, the rehabilitator, the	3774
liquidator, or the state resulting from the exercise of the	3775
superintendent's official duties in any capacity.	3776
(L) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the superintendent	3777
from receiving information and documentation in accordance with	3778
section 3901.045 of the Revised Code.	3779
(M) The superintendent may enter into agreements governing	3780
the sharing and use of information and documentation consistent	3781
with the requirements of this section.	3782
(N)(1) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of	3783
confidentiality in the information and documentation that is the	3784

policies and procedures.

(B) Whenever a chief executive officer of an insurer knows or	3815
has reason to know that the insurer is impaired, the chief	3816
executive officer shall provide written notice of the impairment	3817
to the superintendent of insurance and to each member of the board	3818
of directors or trustees of the insurer. The chief executive	3819
officer shall provide the notice as soon as reasonably possible,	3820
but no later than thirty days after the chief executive officer	3821
knows or has reason to know of the impairment. No chief executive	3822
officer shall fail to provide notice in compliance with this	3823
division.	3824
(C) The notice received by the superintendent under division	3825
(B) of this section is <u>confidential and is</u> not a public record	3826
under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.	3827
(D) Notwithstanding division (C) of this section, the	3828
superintendent may do any of the following:	3829
(1) Disclose the notice upon obtaining prior written consent	3830
from the insurer to which the notice pertains;	3831
(2) Share the notice that is the subject of this section with	3832
the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy liquidator, other	3833
deputy rehabilitators and liquidators, and any other person	3834
employed by, or acting on behalf of, the superintendent pursuant	3835
to Chapter 3901. or 3903. of the Revised Code, with other local,	3836
state, federal, and international regulatory and law enforcement	3837
agencies, with local, state, and federal prosecutors, and with the	3838
national association of insurance commissioners and its affiliates	3839
and subsidiaries, provided that the recipient agrees to maintain	3840
the confidential status of the notice and has authority to do so;	3841
(3) Disclose the notice in the furtherance of any regulatory	3842
or legal action brought by or on behalf of the superintendent or	3843
the state, resulting from the exercise of the superintendent's	3844
official duties	3845

(E) Notwithstanding divisions (C) and (D) of this section,	3846
the superintendent may authorize the national association of	3847
insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries by	3848
agreement to share confidential notices received pursuant to	3849
division (D)(2) of this section with local, state, federal, and	3850
international regulatory and law enforcement agencies and with	3851
local, state, and federal prosecutors, provided that the recipient	3852
agrees to maintain the confidential status of the notice and has	3853
authority to do so.	3854
(F) Notwithstanding divisions (C) and (D) of this section,	3855
the chief deputy rehabilitator, the chief deputy liquidator and	3856
other deputy rehabilitators and liquidators may disclose notices	3857
in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought by or	3858
on behalf of the superintendent, the rehabilitator, the	3859
liquidator, or the state resulting from the exercise of the	3860
superintendent's official duties in any capacity.	3861
(G) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the superintendent	3862
from receiving notices in accordance with section 3901.045 of the	3863
Revised Code.	3864
(H) The superintendent may enter into agreements governing	3865
the sharing and use of notices consistent with the requirements of	3866
this section.	3867
(I)(1) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of	3868
confidentiality in the notices that are the subject of this	3869
section shall occur as a result of sharing or receiving notices as	3870
authorized in divisions (D)(2), (E), and (G) of this section.	3871
(2) The disclosure of a notice in connection with a	3872
regulatory or legal action pursuant to divisions (D)(3) and (F) of	3873
this section does not prohibit an insurer or any other person from	3874
taking steps to limit the dissemination of the notice to persons	3875
not involved in or the subject of the regulatory or legal action	3876

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3903.83, 3903.88, 3905.492, 3905.50, 3999.36, and 4727.18 of the	3911
Revised Code are hereby repealed.	3912
Section 3. Section 1322.061 of the Revised Code, as enacted	3913
by Am. Sub. S.B. 76 of the 124th General Assembly (effective May	3914
2, 2002), and as amended by this act, shall take effect May 2,	3915
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Section 4. Section 1322.06 of the Revised Code, as amended by	3917
this act, is repealed, effective May 2, 2002. The section is	3918
superseded by section 1322.06 of the Revised Code as it results	3919
from Am. Sub. S.B. 76 of the 124th General Assembly, which is	3920
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