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RE: Summary Report - Regulation 112, Adoption of NAIC Handbooks, Guidelines, Forms, and Instructions

Dear President Cortez, Speaker Schexnayder, Senator Talbot, and Representative Brown:

The Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI) hereby submits the following summary report required by La. R.S. 49:968(D)(1)(b), and announces its intention to proceed to finalize Regulation 112, which was published as a Notice of Intent in the April, 2020 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Interested persons were provided an opportunity to submit comments to the LDI on the proposed regulation. The LDI did not receive any written or oral comments by the expiration of the comment period.

Subject to legislative oversight, the LDI would like to finalize Regulation 112 and submit the regulation to the Office of the State Register for publication in the July 2020 edition of the Louisiana Register. A copy of the summary report will be placed on the LDI's website in accordance with La. R.S. 49:968(D)(1)(c).

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me at (225) 219-7851, or electronically at <u>Lisa.Henson@ldi.la.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Lisa L. Henson Staff Attorney Louisiana Department of Insurance

Enclosure: Notice of Intent to Amend Regulation 112–Adoption of NAIC Handbooks, Guidelines, Forms, and Instructions

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

This rule has no known effect on competition and employment.

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#### NOTICE OF INTENT

### Department of Insurance Office of the Commissioner

Regulation 112—Adoption of NAIC Handbooks, Guidelines, Forms, and Instructions (LAC 37:XIII.Chapter 161)

The Department of Insurance, pursuant to the authority of the Louisiana Insurance Code, R.S. 22:1 et seq., and in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., hereby gives notice of its intent to amend Regulation 112.

The purpose of the amendment to Regulation 112 is to identify and to incorporate by reference the current edition of handbooks, guidelines, forms, and instructions adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) and referenced in the Louisiana Insurance Code.

# Title 37 INSURANCE

### Part XIII. Regulations

Chapter 161. Regulation 112—Adoption of NAIC Handbooks, Guidelines, Forms, and Instructions

# §16101. NAIC Handbooks, Guidelines, Forms, and Instructions Incorporated by Reference

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- B. The following NAIC handbooks, guidelines, forms, and instructions are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference:
- 1. the Financial Condition Examiner's Handbook, 2019 edition;
- 2. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Instructions, Property and Casualty, 2019 edition;
- 3. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Instructions, Life, Accident, and Health, 2019 edition;
- 4. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Instructions, Health, 2019 edition;
- 5. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Instructions, Title, 2019 edition;
- 6. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Instructions, Fraternal, 2019 edition;
- 7. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Blanks, Property and Casualty, 2019 edition;
- 8. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Blanks, Life, Accident, and Health, 2019 edition;
- 9. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Blanks, Health, 2019 edition;
- 10. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Blanks, Title, 2019 edition;
- 11. the Annual and Quarterly Statement Blanks, Fraternal, 2019 edition;

- 12. the Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual, 2019 edition:
  - 13. the Financial Analysis Handbook, 2019 edition;
- 14. the Own Risk and Solvency Assessment Guidance Manual, 2019 edition;
- 15. the *Purposes and Procedures Manual of the NAIC Investment Analysis Office*, 2019 edition;
- 16. the Risk-Based Capital Forecasting and Instructions, 2019 edition;
  - 17. the Market Regulation Handbook, 2019 edition.

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AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:11, 258, 586(G), 619(B), 640(B), 675, 661(A), 691.11, 691.54, and 1804.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Commissioner of Insurance, LR 45:1208 (September 2019), amended LR 46:

### **Family Impact Statement**

- 1. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Stability of the Family. The proposed amended regulation should have no measurable impact upon the stability of the family.
- 2. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Authority and Rights of Parents Regarding the Education and Supervision of their Children. The proposed amended regulation should have no impact upon the rights and authority of children regarding the education and supervision of their children.
- 3. Describe the effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Functioning of the Family. The proposed amended regulation should have no direct impact upon the functioning of the family.
- 4. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on Family Earnings and Budget. The proposed amended regulation should have no direct impact upon family earnings and budget.
- 5. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Behavior and Personal Responsibility of Children. The proposed amended regulation should have no impact upon the behavior and personal responsibility of children.
- 6. Describe the Effect of the Proposed Regulation on the Ability of the Family or a Local Government to Perform the Function as Contained in the Rule. The proposed amended regulation should have no impact upon the ability of the family or a local governmental unit to perform the function as contained in the Rule.

#### **Poverty Impact Statement**

- 1. Describe the Effect on Household Income, Assets, and Financial Security. The proposed amended regulation should have no effect on household income assets and financial security.
- 2. Describe the Effect on Early Childhood Development and Preschool through Postsecondary Education Development. The proposed amended regulation should have no effect on early childhood development and preschool through postsecondary education development.
- 3. Describe the Effect on Employment and Workforce Development. The proposed amended regulation should have no effect on employment and workforce development.
- 4. Describe the Effect on Taxes and Tax Credits. The proposed amended regulation should have no effect on taxes and tax credits.

5. Describe the Effect on Child and Dependent Care, Housing, Health Care, Nutrition, Transportation and Utilities Assistance. The proposed amended regulation should have no effect on child and dependent care, housing, health care, nutrition, transportation and utilities assistance.

#### **Small Business Statement**

The impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act has been considered. It is estimated that the proposed action is not expected to have a significant adverse impact on small businesses. The agency, consistent with health, safety, environmental and economic welfare factors has considered and, where possible, utilized regulatory methods in the drafting of the proposed regulation that will accomplish the objectives of applicable statutes while minimizing the adverse impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses.

- 1. Identification and Estimate of the Number of the Small Businesses Subject to the Proposed Rule. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon small businesses.
- 2. The Projected Reporting, Record Keeping, and Other Administrative Costs Required for Compliance with the Proposed Rule, Including the Type of Professional Skills Necessary for Preparation of the Report or Record. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon small businesses.
- 3. A Statement of the Probable Effect on Impacted Small Businesses. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact upon small businesses.
- 4. Describe any Less Intrusive or Less Costly Alternative Methods of Achieving the Purpose of the Proposed Rule. The proposed regulation should have no measurable impact on small businesses; therefore, will have no less intrusive or less cost alternative methods.

## **Provider Impact Statement**

- 1. Describe the Effect on the Staffing Level Requirements or Qualifications Required to Provide the Same Level Of Service. The proposed amended regulation will have no effect.
- 2. The Total Direct and Indirect Effect on the Cost to the Provider to Provide the Same Level of Service. The Proposed Amended Regulation Will Have No Effect.
- 3. The Overall Effect on the Ability of the Provider to Provide the Same Level of Service. The proposed amended regulation will have no effect.

#### **Public Comments**

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulation. Such comments must be received no later than May 11, 2020, by 4:30 p.m. and should be addressed to Lisa Henson, Louisiana Department of Insurance, and may be mailed to P.O. Box 94214, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214, faxed to (225) 342-1632, or emailed to lisa.henson@ldi.la.gov. If comments are to be shipped or hand-delivered, please deliver to Poydras Building, 1702 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

James J. Donelon Commissioner

# FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

# RULE TITLE: Regulation 112—Adoption of NAIC Handbooks, Guidelines, Forms, and Instructions

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule changes will not result in additional costs or savings for state or local governmental units. The proposed rules incorporate and reference the current editions of handbooks, guidelines, forms, and instructions adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) and referenced in the Louisiana Insurance Code. The current editions of these publications serve as the most current professional guidance for entities regulated by the LA Dept. of Insurance.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule changes will not affect revenue collections for state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

The proposed rule changes will benefit persons and entities seeking to know which handbooks or guidelines are currently being incorporated by reference to serve as professional guidance for entities under the purview of the LA Dept. of Insurance (LDI). These handbooks and guidelines will be available for public viewing in hardcopy form at the offices of the LDI and Office of State Register and online at the NAIC website.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule changes will not affect competition or employment.

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### NOTICE OF INTENT

### Department of Insurance Office of the Commissioner

Rule 4—Interlocal Risk Management Agency (LAC 37:XI.Chapter 3)

In accordance with R.S. 49:950 et seq., the Administrative Procedure Act, and through the authority granted under R.S. 22:11 et seq., the Department of Insurance hereby gives notice of its intent to amend Rule 4 for the purpose to comport with current law and implement the provisions of R.S. 33:2955.

# Title 37 INSURANCE Part XI. Rules

Chapter 3. Rule 4—Interlocal Risk Management Agency

§301. Purpose

A. The purpose of this amendment to Rule 4 is to provide for the expansion of the types of investments in which an Interlocal Risk Management Agency could invest