LCB File No. R083-06

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

NOTICE OF WORKSHOPS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance (Division), is proposing new regulations pertaining to exemption from filing for certain qualified insurers and address change for the Division of Insurance. A workshop has been set for **9:00 a.m., on May 18, 2006**, at the offices of the Division, 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada 89701. Interested parties may also participate through a simultaneous video-conference conducted at the Bradley Building, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Manufactured Housing Division Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104. The purpose of the workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics addressed in the proposed regulations.

- 1. <u>Exemption from filing for certain qualified insurers</u>. The purpose of the amendment to the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 680A.172 will clearly establish that the nature of the filing exemption for certain qualified insurers is not a permanent exemption. Instead, the request for the exemption must be made on an annual basis.
- 2. <u>Address change for the Division of Insurance</u>. This regulation amends Chapters 686B, 689A, and 689C of the NAC to reflect the correct address for the Division of Insurance.

A copy of this notice and the proposed regulations will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the proposed regulations will be available at the offices of the Division, 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada 89701, and 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Suite 302, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104, and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulations are also available in the **State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations** which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the Internet at **www.leg.state.nv.us**. Copies will also be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

This Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulations has been sent to all persons on the agency's mailing list for administrative regulations and posted at the following locations:

Department of Business and Industry Division of Insurance 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300 Carson City, NV 89701 Department of Business and Industry Division of Insurance 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Suite 302 Las Vegas, NV 89104 Legislative Counsel Bureau

Capitol Complex

Carson City, NV 89710

State Capitol Capitol Complex

Carson City, NV 89710

County Clerk

Courthouse

Carson City, NV 89710

Carson City Library 900 North Roop Street Carson City, NV 89701

Las Vegas Library

833 Las Vegas Blvd. North Las Vegas, NV 89101

Elko County Library 720 Court Street Elko, NV 89801

Eureka Branch Library 10190 Monroe Street P.O. Box 293

Eureka, NV 89316

Battle Mountain Branch Library

P.O. Box 141

Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Lyon County Library 20 Nevin Way

Yerington, NV 89447

Tonopah Public Library 171 Central Street P.O. Box 449

Tonopah, NV 89049

Blasdel Building **Capitol Complex** Carson City, NV 89710

Capitol Press Room State Capitol Basement Carson City, NV 89710

Nevada State Library & Archives

Capitol Complex

Carson City, NV 89710

Churchill County Library 553 South Maine Street Fallon, NV 89406

Douglas County Library 1625 Library Lane P.O. Box 337 Minden, NV 89423

Goldfield Public Library Fourth & Cook Street P.O. Box 430

Goldfield, NV 89013

Humboldt County Library

85 East 5th Street

Winnemucca, NV 89445

Lincoln County Library

93 Main Street P.O. Box 330 Pioche, NV 89043

Mineral County Library

First & A Street P.O. Box 1390

Hawthorne, NV 89415

Pershing County Library 1125 Central Avenue

P.O. Box 781

Lovelock, NV 89419

Storey County Library 95 South R Street P.O. Box 14 Virginia City, NV 89440

White Pine County Library 950 Campton Street Ely, NV 89301 Washoe County Library Attn: Reference P.O. Box 2151 Reno, NV 89505-2151

Clark County Library 1401 East Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89119

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing are requested to notify the Commissioner's secretary in writing at 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada 89701, or by calling no later than 5 working days prior to the hearing, (702) 687-4270, extension 260.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON REGULATIONS

Notice of Hearing for the Adoption of Regulations of the Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance

The Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance (Division), will hold a public hearing at **9:00 a.m., on May 18, 2006**, immediately following a public workshop, at the offices of the Division, 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada 89701. Interested persons may also participate through a simultaneous video-conference conducted at the Bradley Building, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Manufactured Housing Division Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption of:

REGULATION CONCERNING NOTICE TO CHANGE REFERENCES TO DIVISION OF INSURANCE ADDRESS

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

- 1. The proposed regulation provides for changing the address of the Division of Insurance.
- 2. The proposed regulation amends chapters 686B, 689A, and 689C of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) to correct the address of the Division of Insurance.
- 3. Estimated economic effect of the regulation:
 - On the business which it is to regulate:

The proposed regulation should have no economic effect on the industry that the Division of Insurance regulates.

On the public:

The proposed regulation should have no economic impact on the public.

- 4. The Division of Insurance regulates the insurance industry. These carriers are not small businesses. Consequently, there would not be any impact on small businesses in Nevada.
- 5. The Division will not incur any expense to enforce the proposed regulation.
- 6. The Division is not aware of any overlap or duplication of the regulation with any state, local or federal regulation.
- 7. The proposed regulation is not pursuant to federal law.
- 8. There are no federal regulations regarding these activities.
- 9. The proposed regulation does not establish any new fees or increase an existing fee.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Division may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Division, 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada 89701. Written submissions must be received by the Division on or before May 11, 2006. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Division may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

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Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

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State Capitol Capitol Complex Carson City, NV 89710

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Virginia City, NV 89440

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Ely, NV 89301

Fallon, NV 89406

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Minden, NV 89423

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P.O. Box 430

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Lovelock, NV 89419

Washoe County Library

ATTN: Reference P.O. Box 2151

Reno, NV 89505-2151

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PROPOSED REGULATION TO CHANGE ADDRESS FOR THE DIVISION OF INSURANCE

AUTHORITY: NRS 679B.130

Section 1. NAC 686B.445 is hereby amended as follows:

- 1. A filing by an insurer that refers to a reference filing of prospective loss costs made by a rate service organization must include, in the following order, a reference filing adoption form and a summary of supporting information.
- 2. The reference filing adoption form is available from the Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance, [1165 Hot Springs Road] 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada [89710.] 89701.

Sec. 2. NAC 689A.435(1) is hereby amended as follows:

1. The Commissioner hereby adopts by reference "Bulletin No. 87-4, Policy and Form Filing Procedures," excluding paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of subsection 3 of the bulletin. A copy of the bulletin may be obtained at no cost from the Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance, [1665 Hot Springs Road, No. 152] 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada [89706.] 89701.

Sec. 3. NAC 689C.125(1) is amended as follows:

1. The [c] Commissioner hereby adopts by reference "Bulletin No. 87-4, Policy and Form Filing Procedures," excluding paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of subsection 3 of the bulletin. A copy of the bulletin may be obtained at no cost from the Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance, [1665 Hot Springs Road, No. 152] 788 Fairview Drive, Suite 300, Carson City, Nevada [89706.] 89701.