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PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

EXPLANATION: Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

Authority: NRS 679B.130 and section 3 of SB 426

REGULATIONS relating to new fees for deposit in the new Fund for Insurance Administration

and Enforcement created pursuant to SB 426 during the 75th (2009) Nevada Legislative Session.

Section 1. NAC 680A.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

No vending machine may be placed in use until an application has been made for a license for

that machine, payment of [the \$78 fee] all applicable fees has been made to the Division and the

license has been issued.

Sec. 2. NAC 683A.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

A person employed by a registered agent who performs utilization review is not required to pay

the [fee] fees for registration or the renewal [fee] fees set forth in NRS 683A.378.

Sec. 3. NAC 683A.600 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in NAC 683A.610, an external review organization applying for

the initial issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews must submit to the Commissioner,

on a form prescribed by the Commissioner, an application in writing and must provide to the

Commissioner at the time of application:

1. A written statement that identifies:

- (a) The number of external reviewers that the external review organization employs, contracts with or otherwise retains to conduct external reviews:
 - (b) The specialty of each external reviewer;
 - (c) Whether each external reviewer is certified by the entity that regulates his specialty; and
- (d) The schedule of fees that the external review organization will charge to conduct an external review.
 - 2. A written summary of the procedures that the external review organization will use to:
- (a) Ensure that the external review organization conducts its activities in accordance with NRS 695G.241 to 695G.310, inclusive;
- (b) Ensure that an external reviewer employed, contracted with or otherwise retained by the external review organization is qualified to conduct a specific external review;
 - (c) Ensure that a determination submitted for external review is a final adverse determination;
- (d) Ensure that a final review is conducted in a timely manner in accordance with NRS 695G.251, 695G.261 and 695G.271;
- (e) Ensure that the external review organization and any employee, agent or contractor of the external review organization does not have a conflict of interest as set forth in subsection 4 of NRS 683A.371; and
 - (f) Submit a copy of the determination regarding an external review to:
 - (1) The insured;
 - (2) The physician of the insured;
 - (3) The authorized representative of the insured, if any; and
 - (4) The managed care organization.
 - 3. A written affidavit that:

- (a) The information contained in the application and any accompanying materials are complete and correct;
- (b) The external review organization will conduct external reviews in accordance with NRS 695G.241 to 695G.310, inclusive;
- (c) The external review organization and any employee, agent or contractor of the external review organization will avoid a conflict of interest as set forth in subsection 4 of NRS 683A.371; and
 - (d) The external review organization is not affiliated with:
 - (1) A health care plan; or
 - (2) A national, state or local trade association.
- 4. [The fee] All applicable fees or charges required pursuant to section 3 of SB 426 and NAC 683A.640 for the issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews.

Sec. 4. NAC 683A.610 is hereby amended to read as follows:

If an external review organization has been certified or accredited as an external review organization by an accrediting body that is nationally recognized, an external review organization applying for the initial issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews must submit to the Commissioner, on a form prescribed by the Commissioner, an application in writing and must provide to the Commissioner at the time of application:

- 1. Proof that the external review organization has been certified or accredited as an external review organization by an accrediting body that is nationally recognized;
 - 2. A copy of the certification or accreditation standards of the accrediting body;

- 3. A copy of the most recent review of the external review organization conducted by the accrediting body;
- 4. The schedule of fees that the external review organization will charge to conduct an external review; and
- 5. [The fee] All applicable fees or charges required pursuant to section 3 of SB 426 and NAC 683A.640 for the issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews.

Sec. 5. NAC 683A.630 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 1. In accordance with NRS 683A.371, a certificate to conduct external reviews expires 1 year after the date the certificate is issued by the Commissioner.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 683A.650, the Commissioner will issue a renewal of a certificate to conduct external reviews if the external review organization submits to the Commissioner:
- (a) On a form prescribed by the Commissioner, an application in writing for the renewal of the certificate to conduct external reviews; and
- (b) [The fee] All applicable fees or charges required pursuant to section 3 of SB 426 and NAC 683A.640 for the renewal of a certificate to conduct external reviews.

Sec. 6. NAC 683A.640 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The Commissioner will charge and collect:

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, from an external review organization submitting an application for the initial issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews

pursuant to NAC 683A.600 or 683A.610, a fee of \$400 and, in addition to any other fee or charge, all applicable fees required pursuant to section 3 of SB 426.

- 2. From an external review organization submitting an application for:
- (a) The initial issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews pursuant to NAC 683A.600 or 683A.610; and
- (b) The initial issuance of a certificate to conduct external reviews pursuant to NRS 616A.469 and 616C.363, and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto,
- → a fee of \$600 and, in addition to any other fee or charge, all applicable fees required pursuant to section 3 of SB 426.
- 3. From an external review organization submitting an application for the renewal of a certificate to conduct external reviews pursuant to NAC 683A.630, a fee of \$100 and, in addition to any other fee or charge, all applicable fees required pursuant to section 3 of SB 426.

Sec. 7. NAC 692A.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 1. A written application for a title agent's or escrow officer's license must be filed with the Commissioner by the person applying for the license, accompanied by the applicable [fee] fees. The application must include the following:
 - (a) The name of the person applying for a license.
- (b) Evidence that he is a bona fide resident of this State or resides not more than 50 miles from the border of this State.
- (c) The name and address of each of his employers for at least 2 years immediately preceding the application.

(d) A description of his experience relating to title insurance or escrow and evidence of his knowledge of the laws of this State pertaining to insurance.

(e) A statement whether:

- (1) The person is or was previously licensed to transact the business of insurance or to handle escrows, settlements or closings and, if so, where he was licensed and whether that license was ever suspended or revoked or the renewal of continuance of it refused;
 - (2) The person has even been denied such a license; and
- (3) The person has ever had a contract as an agent or escrow officer cancelled and, if so, the reasons for that cancellation.
- (f) Any other information reasonably required by the Commissioner to determine the person's qualifications for the license.
 - 2. The application must be verified by the person applying for the license.

Sec. 8. NAC 695D.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 1. Any incomplete application, with respect to which there is no activity by the applicant for 60 days or more, shall be deemed to have been withdrawn by the applicant.
- 2. If an application is deemed withdrawn, the Division will give written notice to the applicant of the status of the application. A new application, together with the [fee] fees required by NRS 695D.130, must be submitted before the Division takes any further action.

Sec. 9. NAC 695F.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. A person applying for a certificate of authority to operate an organization must file an application as follows:

- (a) An original and two copies of the application must be submitted in binders having three rings.
- (b) If a new page is submitted to supplement or amend the application, the date of submission must be noted on the bottom of the page, and the page must be prepared so it can be placed in the binder with the other materials.
- (c) Each binder must contain a table of contents and include dividers which separate the various sections of the application and indicate the subject in each section.
- (d) One binder must contain the original application, the original of the completed forms supplied by the Division and the original or a certified copy of any supporting documents.
- 2. Any incomplete application on which there has been no activity by the applicant for 60 days shall be deemed withdrawn by the applicant. A new application accompanied by [the appropriate fee] all applicable fees must be submitted before the Commissioner takes any further action. Written notice that the application is considered as withdrawn will be provided to the applicant by the Commissioner.

Sec. 10. NAC 695H.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in NAC 695H.110 and 695H.120, an application for registration to engage in business as a medical discount plan must be accompanied by any [fee] fees and documentation required pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 695H.090.