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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. BRESLIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to permitting unauthorized foreign or alien insurers to contact nonresident persons, firms, associations or corporations to make insurance contracts

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 1101 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new paragraph 6 to read as follows:
- (6) NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, A PERSON, AS DEFINED IN SECTION ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED ONE OF THIS CHAPTER, ON BEHALF OF AN UNAUTHORIZED FOREIGN OR ALIEN INSURER DULY LICENSED TO TRANSACT THE BUSINESS OF 5 6 INSURANCE BY THE LAWS OF ITS DOMICILE MAY, FROM WITHIN THIS ANY PERSON, FIRM, ASSOCIATION OR CORPORATION NOT A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING TO MAKE ANY 8 INSURANCE CONTRACT 9 TO SOLICIT APPLICATIONS OR PERFORM SERVICES FOR ANY SUCH POLICIES OR 10 CONTRACTS WITH RESPECT TO PERSONS OR RISKS NOT RESIDENT OR LOCATED THIS STATE, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PERSON IS IN THE SAME HOLDING COMPANY 11 SYSTEM WITH A DOMESTIC INSURER AND THE AFOREMENTIONED UNAUTHORIZED 12 13 FOREIGN OR ALIEN INSURER. SUCH ACTIVITIES SHALL NOT BE DEEMED UNDER THIS CHAPTER AS DOING AN INSURANCE BUSINESS IN THIS STATE AND SUCH PERSON MAY 14 15 MAINTAIN AN OFFICE IN THIS STATE UNDER ITS OWN NAME, AND EMPLOY PERSONS WITHIN THIS STATE, IN FURTHERANCE OF SUCH ACTIVITIES. FOR THE 16 PURPOSES SECTION, PERMITTED SERVICES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, 17 THIS 18 UNDERWRITING, NEGOTIATING CONTRACT TERMS, QUOTING PREMIUMS, COLLECTING 19 OF PREMIUMS, AND CLAIMS HANDLING.
 - S 2. Section 2117 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new subsection (j) to read as follows:

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(J) NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING IN THIS CHAPTER, A PERSON, AS DEFINED IN SECTION ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED ONE OF THIS CHAPTER, ON BEHALF OF AN UNAUTHORIZED FOREIGN OR ALIEN INSURER DULY LICENSED TO TRANSACT THE BUSINESS OF INSURANCE BY THE LAWS OF ITS DOMICILE MAY, FROM WITHIN THIS STATE, CONTACT ANY PERSON, FIRM, ASSOCIATION OR CORPORATION NOT A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING TO MAKE ANY INSURANCE

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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1 CONTRACT OR TO SOLICIT APPLICATIONS OR PERFORM SERVICES FOR ANY SUCH 2 POLICIES OR CONTRACTS WITH RESPECT TO PERSONS OR RISKS NOT RESIDENT OR 3 LOCATED IN THIS STATE, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PERSON IS IN THE SAME HOLDING 4 COMPANY SYSTEM WITH A DOMESTIC INSURER AND THE AFOREMENTIONED UNAUTHOR-5 IZED FOREIGN OR ALIEN INSURER. SUCH ACTIVITIES SHALL NOT BE DEEMED UNDER 6 THIS CHAPTER AS DOING AN INSURANCE BUSINESS IN THIS STATE AND SUCH 7 PERSON MAY MAINTAIN AN OFFICE IN THIS STATE UNDER ITS OWN NAME, AND 8 EMPLOY PERSONS WITHIN THIS STATE, IN FURTHERANCE OF SUCH ACTIVITIES. FOR 9 THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, PERMITTED SERVICES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, UNDERWRITING, NEGOTIATING CONTRACT TERMS, QUOTING PREMIUMS,

11 COLLECTING OF PREMIUMS, AND CLAIMS HANDLING.

12 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.