HOUSE BILL NO. 4508

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A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956,"

by amending section 1202 (MCL 500.1202), as amended by 2016 PA 114, and by adding chapter 12b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1202. (1) This chapter does not require an insurer to obtain an insurance producer license. As used in this section, the term "insurer" does not include an insurer's officers, directors, employees, subsidiaries, or affiliates.
- 5 (2) A license as an insurance producer is not required of any





- 1 of the following:
- 2 (a) An officer, director, or employee of an insurer or of an insurance producer, if the officer, director, or employee does not receive any commission on policies written or sold to insure risks residing, located, or to be performed in this state and meets 1 or more of the following:
- 7 (i) The officer's, director's, or employee's activities are
 8 executive, administrative, managerial, clerical, or a combination
 9 of these, and are only indirectly related to the sale,
 10 solicitation, or negotiation of insurance.
- (ii) The officer's, director's, or employee's function relates
 to underwriting, loss control, inspection, or the processing,
 adjusting, investigating, or settling of a claim on a contract of
 insurance.
- 15 (iii) The officer, director, or employee is acting in the
 16 capacity of a special agent or agency supervisor assisting
 17 insurance producers if the person's activities are limited to
 18 providing technical advice and assistance to licensed insurance
 19 producers and do not include the sale, solicitation, or negotiation
 20 of insurance.
- (b) A person who performs and receives no commission for anyof the following services:
- (i) Securing and furnishing information for the purpose of
 group life insurance, group property and casualty insurance, group
 annuities, or group or blanket accident and health insurance.
- (ii) Securing and furnishing information for the purpose of
 enrolling individuals under plans, issuing certificates under
 plans, or otherwise assisting in administering plans.
- 29 (iii) Performing administrative services related to mass



1 marketed property and casualty insurance.

- (c) An employer or association or its officers, directors, employees, or the trustees of an employee trust plan, to the extent that the employers, officers, employees, directors, or trustees are engaged in the administration or operation of a program of employee benefits for the employer's or association's own employees or the employees of its subsidiaries or affiliates, which program involves the use of insurance issued by an insurer, if the employers, associations, officers, directors, employees, or trustees are not in any manner compensated, directly or indirectly, by the company issuing the contracts.
 - (d) Employees of insurers or organizations employed by insurers who are engaging in the inspection, rating, or classification of risks, or in the supervision of the training of insurance producers and who are not individually engaged in the sale, solicitation, or negotiation of insurance.
 - (e) A person whose activities in this state are limited to advertising without the intent to solicit insurance in this state through communications in printed publications or other forms of electronic mass media, the distribution of which is not limited to residents of this state, if the person does not sell, solicit, or negotiate insurance that would insure risks residing, located, or to be performed in this state.
 - (f) A person who is not a resident of this state who sells, solicits, or negotiates a contract of insurance for commercial property and casualty risks to an insured with risks located in more than 1 state insured under that contract, if the person is otherwise licensed as an insurance producer to sell, solicit, or negotiate that insurance in the state where the insured maintains



- 1 its principal place of business and the contract of insurance
 2 insures risks located in that state.
- 3 (g) A salaried full-time employee who counsels or advises his 4 or her employer concerning the insurance interests of the employer 5 or of the subsidiaries or business affiliates of the employer, if 6 the employee does not sell or solicit insurance or receive a 7 commission.
- 8 (h) A person whose only sale of insurance is for travel or
 9 auto-related insurance sold in connection with and incidental to
 10 the rental of a motor vehicle under a rental agreement for a period
 11 not to exceed 90 days.
- (i) A person whose only sale of insurance is for portable electronics insurance sold in connection with and incidental to the sale of a portable electronic device if written disclosure material is provided to the customer at the time of solicitation and the written material includes all of the following:
- 17 (i) A disclosure that portable electronics insurance may
 18 duplicate coverage already provided by the customer's homeowners,
 19 renters, or other insurance policies.
- 20 (ii) A statement that the enrollment by the customer in a
 21 portable electronics insurance program is not required to purchase
 22 or lease a portable electronic device or services for the device.
- (iii) A summary of the material terms of the portableelectronics insurance coverage, including all of the following:
 - (A) The identity of the insurer.
- (B) The amount of any applicable deductible and how it is tobe paid.
- (C) The benefits of the coverage.
- 29 (D) Key terms and conditions of the coverage, such as whether



- the portable electronics may be repaired or replaced with a similar
 make and model or reconditioned or nonoriginal manufacturer parts
 or equipment.
- 4 (iv) A summary of the process for filing a claim, including a
 5 description of how to return a portable electronic device and the
 6 maximum fee applicable if the customer fails to comply with
 7 equipment return requirements.
- 8 (v) A statement that the customer may cancel enrollment for
 9 coverage under a portable electronics insurance policy at any time
 10 and that the person paying the premium will receive a refund of or
 11 credit for any unearned premium.
- (j) A person whose only sale of insurance is for travelinsurance sold in conjunction with and incidental to plannedtravel.
- 15 (k) A person whose only sale of insurance is stored property
 16 insurance sold in connection with and incidental to the rental of
 17 storage space in a self-service storage facility under a rental
 18 agreement for a period not to exceed 1 year if written disclosure
 19 material is provided to the customer at the time of solicitation
 20 and the written material includes all of the following:
- (i) A disclosure that the stored property insurance may
 duplicate coverage already provided by the customer's homeowners,
 renters, or other insurance policies.
- 24 (ii) A summary of the material terms of the stored property 25 insurance coverage, including all of the following:
 - (A) The identity of the insurer.
 - (B) The benefits of the coverage.
- 28 (C) The key terms and conditions of the coverage.
- 29 (iii) A summary of the process for filing a claim.



- 1 (3) As used in this section:
- 2 (a) "Motor vehicle" means a motorized vehicle designed for3 transporting passengers or goods.
- 4 (b) "Self-service storage facility" means that term as defined
 5 in section 2 of the self-service storage facility act, 1985 PA 148,
 6 MCL 570.522.
- 7 (c) "Stored property insurance" means insurance that provides 8 coverage for the loss of, or damage to, tangible personal property with an insured value not exceeding \$10,000.00 contained in a 9 10 storage space located on a self-service storage facility or in 11 transit during the term of a self-service storage facility rental agreement and that is provided under a group or master policy 12 issued to a self-service storage facility for the provision of 13 14 insurance to its customers.
- 15 (d) "Travel insurance" means, subject to subdivision (e), a
 16 limited lines insurance coverage under section 1201(i) for personal
 17 risk incident to planned travel, including 1 or more of the
 18 following:
- 19 (i) Interruption or cancellation of a trip or event.
- (ii) Loss of baggage or personal effects.
- 21 (iii) Damages to accommodations or rental vehicles.
- 22 (iv) Sickness, accident, disability, or death occurring during 23 travel.
- 24 (v) Emergency evacuation.
- 25 (vi) Repatriation of remains.
- 26 (vii) Any other contractual obligations to indemnify or pay a 27 specified amount to the traveler on determinable contingencies 28 related to travel as approved by the director.
- 29 (e) Travel insurance "Travel insurance" does not include major



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- (i) Major medical plans, which provide comprehensive medical
 protection for travelers with trips lasting longer than 6 months,
 or longer, including, for example, those working or residing
 overseas as an expatriate, or military personnel being deployed.
- 6 (ii) A product that requires a specific insurance producer's 1 license.

8 CHAPTER 12B

9 TRAVEL INSURANCE

Sec. 1281. This chapter applies to travel insurance that covers a resident of this state and is sold, solicited, negotiated, or offered in this state and for which policies and certificates are delivered or issued for delivery in this state. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, this chapter does not apply to cancellation fee waivers and travel assistance services.

Sec. 1283. As used in this chapter:

- 17 (a) "Aggregator site" means a website that provides access to
 18 information regarding insurance products from more than 1 insurer,
 19 including product and insurer information, for use in comparison
 20 shopping.
 - (b) "Blanket travel insurance" means a policy of travel insurance issued to any eligible group providing coverage for specific classes of persons defined in the policy with coverage provided to all members of the eligible group without a separate charge to individual members of the eligible group.
 - (c) "Cancellation fee waiver" means a contractual agreement between a supplier of travel services and its customer to waive some or all of the nonrefundable cancellation fee provisions of the supplier's underlying travel contract with or without regard to the



- 1 reason for the cancellation or form of reimbursement. A
- 2 cancellation fee waiver is not insurance.
- 3 (d) "Eligible group" means 2 or more persons that are engaged
- 4 in a common enterprise, or have an economic, educational, or social
- 5 affinity or relationship, including, but not limited to, any of the
- 6 following:
- 7 (i) Persons engaged in the business of providing travel or
- 8 travel services, including, but not limited to, tour operators,
- 9 lodging providers, vacation property owners, hotels and resorts,
- 10 travel clubs, travel agencies, property managers, cultural exchange
- 11 programs, and common carriers or the operators, owners, or lessors
- 12 of a means of transportation of passengers, including, but not
- 13 limited to, airlines, cruise lines, railroads, steamship companies,
- 14 and public bus carriers, in which, with regard to any particular
- 15 travel or type of travel or travelers, all members or customers of
- 16 the group must have a common exposure to risk attendant to the
- 17 travel.
- 18 (ii) Colleges, schools, or other institutions of learning
- 19 covering students, teachers or employees, or volunteers.
- 20 (iii) Employers covering a group of employees, volunteers,
- 21 contractors, board of directors, dependents, or guests.
- 22 (iv) Sports teams, camps, or sponsors of sports teams or camps
- 23 covering participants, members, campers, employees, officials,
- 24 supervisors, or volunteers.
- 25 (v) Religious, charitable, recreational, educational, or civic
- 26 organizations or branches of religious, charitable, recreational,
- 27 educational, or civic organizations covering any group of members,
- 28 participants, or volunteers.
- 29 (vi) Financial institutions or financial institution vendors,



- 1 or parent holding company, trustee, or agent of or designated by 1
- 2 or more financial institutions or financial institution vendors,
- 3 including account holders, credit card holders, debtors,
- 4 guarantors, or purchasers.
- 5 (vii) Incorporated or unincorporated associations, including
- 6 labor unions, having a common interest, constitution, and bylaws,
- 7 and organized and maintained in good faith for purposes other than
- 8 obtaining insurance for members or participants of the association
- 9 covering its members.
- 10 (viii) A trust or the trustees of a fund established, created,
- 11 or maintained for the benefit of and covering members, employees,
- 12 or customers, subject to the director's permitting the use of a
- 13 trust and the premium tax under section 1285, of 1 or more
- 14 associations described in subparagraph (vii).
- 15 (ix) Entertainment production companies covering a group of
- 16 participants, volunteers, audience members, contestants, or
- 17 workers.
- 18 (x) Volunteer fire departments, ambulance, rescue, police, or
- 19 court, or any first aid, civil defense, or other volunteer groups.
- 20 (xi) Preschools, daycare institutions for children or adults,
- 21 and senior citizen clubs.
- 22 (xii) Automobile or truck rental or leasing companies covering
- 23 a group of individuals who may become renters, lessees, or
- 24 passengers defined by their travel status on the rented or leased
- 25 vehicles. The common carrier, the operator, owner, or lessor of a
- 26 means of transportation, or the automobile or truck rental or
- 27 leasing company is the policyholder under a policy to which this
- 28 subparagraph applies.
- 29 (xiii) Any other group as to which the director has determined



- 1 that the members are engaged in a common enterprise, or have an
- 2 economic, educational, or social affinity or relationship, and that
- 3 issuance of the policy would not be contrary to the public
- 4 interest.
- 5 (e) "Fulfillment materials" means documentation sent to the
- 6 purchaser of a travel protection plan confirming the purchase and
- 7 providing the travel protection plan's coverage and assistance
- 8 details.
- 9 (f) "Group travel insurance" means travel insurance issued to
- 10 any eligible group.
- 11 (g) "Limited lines travel insurance producer" means any of the
- 12 following:
- 13 (i) A licensed managing general agent or third-party
- 14 administrator.
- 15 (ii) A licensed insurance producer, including a limited lines
- 16 producer.
- 17 (iii) A travel administrator.
- 18 (h) "Offer and disseminate" means to provide general
- 19 information, including a description of the coverage and price, and
- 20 process the application and collect premiums.
- 21 (i) "Primary certificate holder" means an individual who
- 22 elects and purchases travel insurance under a group policy.
- 23 (j) "Primary policyholder" means an individual who elects and
- 24 purchases individual travel insurance.
- 25 (k) "Travel administrator" means a person that directly or
- 26 indirectly underwrites; collects charges, collateral, or premiums
- 27 for; or adjusts or settles claims on residents of this state in
- 28 connection with travel insurance. However, a person is not
- 29 considered a travel administrator if the person's only actions that



- would otherwise cause it to be considered a travel administrator
 are among any of the following:
- 3 (i) Working for a travel administrator to the extent that the 4 person's activities are subject to the supervision and control of 5 the travel administrator.
- 6 (ii) Selling insurance or engaging in administrative activities
 7 and claims-related activities within the scope of an insurance
 8 producer's license.
- 9 (iii) Offering and disseminating travel insurance while
 10 registered under the license of a limited lines travel insurance
 11 producer under this chapter.
- (*iv*) Adjusting or settling claims in the normal course of the individual's practice or employment as an attorney-at-law, while not collecting charges or premiums in connection with insurance coverage.
- 16 (ν) Being affiliated with a licensed insurer while acting as a 17 travel administrator for the direct and assumed insurance business 18 of an affiliated insurer.
 - (I) "Travel assistance services" means noninsurance services for which the consumer is not indemnified based on a fortuitous event, and as to which providing the service does not result in the transfer or shifting of risk that would constitute the business of insurance. Travel assistance services include, but are not limited to, security advisories, destination information, vaccination and immunization information services, travel reservation services, entertainment, activity and event planning, translation assistance, emergency messaging, international legal and medical referrals, medical case monitoring, coordination of transportation

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- 1 prescription replacement assistance, passport and travel document
- 2 replacement assistance, lost luggage assistance, concierge
- 3 services, and any other service that is furnished in connection
- 4 with planned travel. Travel assistance services are not insurance
- 5 and not related to insurance.
- 6 (m) "Travel insurance" means that term as defined in section
- 7 1202.
- 8 (n) "Travel protection plans" means plans that provide 1 or
- 9 more of the following:
- 10 (i) Travel insurance.
- 11 (ii) Travel assistance services.
- 12 (iii) Cancellation fee waivers.
- (o) "Travel retailer" means a business entity that makes,
- 14 arranges, or offers planned travel and may offer and disseminate
- 15 travel insurance as a service to its customers on behalf of and
- 16 under the direction of a limited lines travel insurance producer.
- 17 Sec. 1284. (1) The director may issue a limited lines travel
- 18 insurance producer license to an individual or business entity that
- 19 has filed with the director an application for a limited lines
- 20 travel insurance producer license in a form and manner prescribed
- 21 by the director. A limited lines travel insurance producer licensed
- 22 under this section may sell, solicit, or negotiate travel insurance
- 23 through a licensed insurer. A person shall not act as a limited
- 24 lines travel insurance producer or travel insurance retailer unless
- 25 the person is properly licensed or registered, respectively.
- 26 (2) A travel retailer may offer and disseminate travel
- 27 insurance under a limited lines travel insurance producer business
- 28 entity license only if all of the following conditions are met:
- 29 (a) The limited lines travel insurance producer or travel



- 1 retailer provides to purchasers of travel insurance all of the
- 2 following:
- 3 (i) A description of the material terms or the actual material 4 terms of the insurance coverage.
- 5 (ii) A description of the process for filing a claim.
- 6 (iii) A description of the review or cancellation process for 7 the travel insurance policy.
- 8 (iv) The identity and contact information of the insurer and 9 limited lines travel insurance producer.
- 10 (b) At the time of licensure, the limited lines travel 11 insurance producer establishes and maintains a register on a form 12 prescribed by the director of each travel retailer that offers 13 travel insurance on the limited lines travel insurance producer's 14 behalf. The register must be maintained and updated by the limited 15 lines travel insurance producer and include the name, address, and 16 contact information of the travel retailer and an officer or person 17 who directs or controls the travel retailer's operations and the travel retailer's federal tax identification number. The limited 18 19 lines travel insurance producer shall submit the register to the 20 department on reasonable request. The limited lines travel 21 insurance producer shall also certify that the travel retailer 22 registered complies with 18 USC 1033. The grounds for the 23 suspension or revocation of licenses issued to and the penalties 24 that apply to resident insurance producers apply to the limited 25 lines travel insurance producers and travel retailers.
- 26 (c) The limited lines travel insurance producer has designated 27 1 of its employees who is a licensed individual producer as the 28 designated responsible producer responsible for the compliance with 29 the travel insurance laws and regulations applicable to the limited



- 1 lines travel insurance producer and its registrants.
- 2 (d) The designated responsible producer described in
- 3 subdivision (c), the president, secretary, or treasurer of the
- 4 limited lines travel insurance producer, and any other officer or
- 5 person who directs or controls the limited lines travel insurance
- 6 producer's insurance operations comply with the fingerprinting
- 7 requirements applicable to insurance producers in the resident
- 8 state of the limited lines travel insurance producer.
- 9 (e) The limited lines travel insurance producer has paid all
- 10 applicable licensing fees as set forth in applicable state law.
- 12 employee and authorized representative of the travel retailer whose

(f) The limited lines travel insurance producer requires each

- 13 duties include offering and disseminating travel insurance to
- 14 receive a program of instruction or training that is subject, at
- 15 the discretion of the director, to review and approval. The
- 16 training material must, at a minimum, contain adequate instructions
- 17 on the types of insurance offered, ethical sales practices, and
- 18 required disclosures to prospective customers.
- 19 (3) A travel retailer that offers or disseminates travel
- 20 insurance shall make available to prospective purchasers brochures
- 21 or other written materials that have been approved by the travel
- 22 insurer. The materials must include information that does all of
- 23 the following:

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- 24 (a) Provides the identity and contact information of the
- 25 insurer and the limited lines travel insurance producer.
- 26 (b) Explains that the purchase of travel insurance is not
- 27 required to purchase any other product or service from the travel
- 28 retailer.

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(c) Explains that an unlicensed travel retailer is permitted



- 1 to provide only general information about the insurance offered by
- 2 the travel retailer, including a description of the coverage and
- 3 price, but is not qualified or authorized to answer technical
- 4 questions about the terms and conditions of the insurance offered
- 5 by the travel retailer or to evaluate the adequacy of the
- 6 customer's existing insurance coverage.
- 7 (4) A travel retailer employee or authorized representative,
- 8 who is not licensed as an insurance producer, shall not do any of
- 9 the following:
- 10 (a) Evaluate or interpret the technical terms, benefits, and
- 11 conditions of the offered travel insurance coverage.
- 12 (b) Evaluate or provide advice concerning a prospective
- 13 purchaser's existing insurance coverage.
- 14 (c) Hold himself, herself, or itself out as a licensed
- 15 insurer, licensed producer, or insurance expert.
- 16 (5) Notwithstanding any other provision in law, a travel
- 17 retailer whose insurance-related activities, and those of its
- 18 employees and authorized representatives, are limited to offering
- 19 and disseminating travel insurance on behalf of and under the
- 20 direction of a limited lines travel insurance producer meeting the
- 21 conditions under this chapter may receive related compensation on
- 22 registration by the limited lines travel insurance producer as
- 23 described in subsection (2)(b).
- 24 (6) As the insurer designee, the limited lines travel
- 25 insurance producer is responsible for the acts of the travel
- 26 retailer and shall use reasonable means to ensure compliance by the
- 27 travel retailer with this chapter.
- 28 (7) A person licensed in a major line of authority as an
- 29 insurance producer may sell, solicit, and negotiate travel



- 1 insurance. A property and casualty insurance producer is not
- 2 required to become appointed by an insurer to sell, solicit, or
- 3 negotiate travel insurance.
- 4 Sec. 1285. (1) A travel insurer shall pay a premium tax, as
- 5 provided in section 1905, on travel insurance premiums paid by any
- 6 of the following:
- 7 (a) An individual primary policyholder who is a resident of
- 8 this state.
- 9 (b) A primary certificate holder who is a resident of this
- 10 state who elects coverage under a group travel insurance policy.
- 11 (c) A blanket travel insurance policyholder that is a resident
- 12 in, or has its principal place of business or the principal place
- 13 of business of an affiliate or subsidiary that has purchased
- 14 blanket travel insurance in, this state for eligible blanket group
- 15 members, subject to any apportionment rules that apply to the
- 16 insurer across multiple taxing jurisdictions or that permits the
- 17 insurer to allocate premium on an apportioned basis in a reasonable
- 18 and equitable manner in those jurisdictions.
- 19 (2) A travel insurer shall do both of the following:
- 20 (a) Document the state of residence or principal place of
- 21 business of the policyholder or certificate holder, as required in
- 22 subsection (1).
- 23 (b) Report as premium only the amount allocable to travel
- 24 insurance and not any amounts received for travel assistance
- 25 services or cancellation fee waivers.
- 26 Sec. 1286. Travel protection plans may be offered for 1 price
- 27 for the combined features that the travel protection plan offers in
- 28 this state if both of the following conditions are met:
- 29 (a) The travel protection plan clearly discloses to the



- 1 consumer at or before the time of purchase that it includes travel
- 2 insurance, travel assistance services, and cancellation fee
- 3 waivers, as applicable, and provides information and an opportunity
- 4 at or before the time of purchase for the consumer to obtain
- 5 additional information regarding the features and pricing of each.
- 6 (b) The fulfillment materials do both of the following:
- 7 (i) Describe and delineate the travel insurance, travel
- 8 assistance services, and cancellation fee waivers in the travel
- 9 protection plan.
- 10 (ii) Include the travel insurance disclosures and the contact
- 11 information for persons providing travel assistance services and
- 12 cancellation fee waivers, as applicable.
- 13 Sec. 1287. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a
- 14 person that offers travel insurance to residents of this state is
- 15 subject to chapter 20. If there is a conflict between this chapter
- 16 and other provisions of this act regarding the sale and marketing
- 17 of travel insurance and travel protection plans, this chapter
- 18 controls.
- 19 (2) Offering or selling a travel insurance policy that could
- 20 never result in payment of any claims for an insured under the
- 21 policy is an unfair trade practice under chapter 20.
- 22 (3) All documents provided to consumers before the purchase of
- 23 travel insurance, including, but not limited to, sales materials,
- 24 advertising materials, and marketing materials, must be consistent
- 25 with the travel insurance policy, including, but not limited to,
- 26 forms, endorsements, policies, rate filings, and certificates of
- 27 insurance.
- 28 (4) For travel insurance policies or certificates that contain
- 29 preexisting condition exclusions, information and an opportunity to



- 1 learn more about the preexisting condition exclusions must be
- 2 provided any time before the time of purchase, and in the
- 3 coverage's fulfillment materials.
- 4 (5) The fulfillment materials and the information described in
- 5 section 1284(2)(a) must be provided to a policyholder or
- 6 certificate holder as soon as practicable following the purchase of
- 7 a travel protection plan. Unless the insured has either started a
- 8 covered trip or filed a claim under the travel insurance coverage,
- 9 a policyholder or certificate holder may cancel a policy or
- 10 certificate for a full refund of the travel protection plan price
- 11 from the date of purchase of the travel protection plan until at
- 12 least either of the following:
- 13 (a) Fifteen days following the date of delivery of the travel
- 14 protection plan's fulfillment materials by postal mail.
- 15 (b) Ten days following the date of delivery of the travel
- 16 protection plan's fulfillment materials by means other than postal
- 17 mail.
- 18 (6) A company shall disclose in the policy documentation and
- 19 fulfillment materials whether the travel insurance is primary or
- 20 secondary to other applicable coverage.
- 21 (7) If travel insurance is marketed directly to a consumer
- 22 through an insurer's website or by others through an aggregator
- 23 site, it is not an unfair trade practice or other violation of law
- 24 if both of the following apply:
- 25 (a) An accurate summary or short description of coverage is
- 26 provided on the webpage.
- 27 (b) If the consumer has access to the full provisions of the
- 28 policy through electronic means.
- 29 (8) A person that offers, solicits, or negotiates travel



- 1 insurance or travel protection plans on an individual or group
- 2 basis shall not use a negative option or opt-out, that would
- 3 require a consumer to take an affirmative action to deselect
- 4 coverage, such as unchecking a box on an electronic form when the
- 5 consumer purchases a trip.
- 6 (9) It is an unfair trade practice to market blanket travel
 7 insurance coverage as free.
- 8 (10) If a consumer's destination jurisdiction requires
- 9 insurance coverage, it is not an unfair trade practice to require
- 10 that a consumer choose between any of the following options as a
- 11 condition of purchasing a trip or travel package:
- 12 (a) Purchasing the coverage required by the destination
- 13 jurisdiction through the travel retailer or limited lines travel
- 14 insurance producer supplying the trip or travel package.
- 15 (b) Agreeing to obtain and provide proof of coverage that
- 16 meets the destination jurisdiction's requirements before departure.
- 17 (11) As used in this section, "delivery" means handing
- 18 fulfillment materials to the policyholder or certificate holder or
- 19 sending fulfillment materials by postal mail or electronic means to
- 20 the policyholder or certificate holder.
- 21 Sec. 1288. (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
- 22 act, a person shall not act or represent itself as a travel
- 23 administrator for travel insurance in this state unless at least 1
- 24 of the following applies:
- 25 (a) The person is a licensed property and casualty insurance
- 26 producer in this state for activities permitted under that producer
- 27 license.
- (b) The person holds a valid managing general agent license in
- 29 this state.



- 1 (c) The person holds a valid third-party administrator license 2 in this state.
- 3 (2) A travel administrator and its employees are exempt from 4 the licensing requirements of section 1222 for travel insurance it 5 administers.
- 6 (3) An insurer is responsible for both of the following:
- 7 (a) The acts of a travel administrator administering travel 8 insurance underwritten by the insurer.
- 9 (b) Ensuring that the travel administrator maintains all books
 10 and records relevant to the insurer to be made available by the
 11 travel administrator to the director on request.
- Sec. 1289. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, travel insurance is classified and must be filed for purposes
- 14 of rates and forms under an inland marine line of insurance.
- 15 However, travel insurance that provides coverage for sickness,
- 16 accident, disability, or death occurring during travel, either
- 17 exclusively or in conjunction with related coverages of emergency
- 18 evacuation or repatriation of remains, or incidental limited
- 19 property and casualty benefits such as baggage or trip
- 20 cancellation, may be filed by an authorized insurer under either an
- 21 accident and health line of insurance or an inland marine line of
- 22 insurance.
- (2) Travel insurance may be in the form of an individual,qroup, or blanket policy.
- 25 (3) Eligibility and underwriting standards for travel
 26 insurance may be developed and provided based on travel protection
 27 plans designed for individual or identified marketing or
 28 distribution channels, if those standards also meet this state's
- 29 underwriting standards for inland marine.