

507D.3 Authorized assistance programs.

The commissioner of insurance is authorized to institute programs, order the institution of programs within the private sector, or to contract with or delegate authority to the department of administrative services for the institution of programs relating to insurance assistance including, but not limited to, the following:

1. The development and implementation of a market assistance program to facilitate, arrange, or provide for the acquisition of property, casualty, product, professional, or other liability insurance coverage for all persons or entities seeking such coverage but for which the coverage is presently unavailable or unobtainable to the person or entity.

2. The development and implementation of a mandatory risk allocation system for property, casualty, product, professional, or other liability insurance, except asbestos and environmental impairment liability, in order to assure that all persons or entities for which such insurance is essential may obtain such insurance from insurers authorized to do business within this state.

3. The development and implementation of a risk-sharing program to assist and advise persons or entities seeking property, casualty, product, professional, or other liability insurance, except asbestos and environmental impairment liability, on the most efficient manner in which to share or pool similar risks in order to obtain essential insurance coverage at the minimum cost.

4. The development and implementation of a risk management program for persons or entities to which property, casualty, product, professional, or other liability insurance is essential, such program to include at a minimum the following:

a. Assistance in developing and maintaining loss and loss exposure data on such liability risks.

b. Recommendations regarding risk reduction and risk elimination programs.

c. Recommendations of those practices which will permit protection against such losses at the lowest costs, consistent with good underwriting practices and sound risk management techniques.

5. Subsections 2 and 3 shall have no application or effect after July 1, 1991.

6. An assistance program for the facilitation of insurance and financial responsibility coverage for owners and operators of underground storage tanks which store petroleum shall not be affected by the exceptions of subsections 2 and 3.

86 Acts, ch 1211, §28; 87 Acts, ch 225, §601; 88 Acts, ch 1134, §94; 89 Acts, ch 76, §9; 2003 Acts, ch 145, §286