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- 9 section 502.202, subsection 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, or
- 10 17, or a security issued by an industrial loan company
- 11 licensed under chapter 536A7.
- 12 b. (2) Effecting transactions exempted by section 502.203;
- 13 or.
- 14 (3) Effecting transactions in a federal covered security
- 15 as described in sections 18(b)(3) and 18(b)(4)(D) of the
- 16 Securities Act of 1933 as amended in Pub. L. No. 104-290.
- 17 c- (4) Effecting transactions with an existing employees
- 18 employee, partners partner, or directors director of the
- 19 issuer if no commission or other remuneration is paid or given
- 20 directly or indirectly for soliciting any person in this
- 21 state.
- 22 b. A broker-dealer in effecting a transaction in this
- 23 state which is limited to a transaction provided in section
- 24 15(h)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 25 "Agent" also does not include any other individuals
- 26 individual who are is not within the intent of this subsection
- 27 whom the administrator by rule or order designates. A
- 28 partner, officer, or director of a broker-dealer or issuer, or
- 29 a person occupying a similar status or performing similar
- 30 functions, is an agent only if such person otherwise comes
- 31 within this definition.
- 32 Sec. 2. Section 502.102, Code 1997, is amended by adding
- 33 the following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. "Federal covered security" means any
- 35 security that is a covered security under section 18(b) of the

- 1 Securities Act of 1933 or rules or regulations adopted under
- 2 the Securities Act of 1933.
- 3 Sec. 3. Section 502.102, Code 1997, is amended by adding
- 4 the following new subsection:
- 5 NEW SUBSECTION. 13A. "Securities and exchange commission"
- 6 means the United States securities and exchange commission as
- 7 established pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78(d).
- 8 Sec. 4. Section 502.102, subsection 14, Code 1997, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 14. "Security" means any note; stock; treasury stock;
- 11 bond; debenture; evidence of indebtedness; certificate of
- 12 interest or participation in a profit sharing agreement;
- 13 collateral trust certificate; preorganization certificate or
- 14 subscription; transferable share; investment contract; voting
- 15 trust certificate; certificate of deposit for a security;
- 16 fractional undivided interest in an oil, gas, or other mineral
- 17 lease or in payments out of production under such a lease,
- 18 right, or royalty; an interest in a limited liability company
- 19 or in a limited liability partnership or any class or series
- 20 of such interest, including any fractional or other interest
- 21 in such interest; or, in general, any interest or instrument
- 22 commonly known as a "security", or any certificate of interest
- 23 or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for,
- 24 receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to
- 25 or purchase, any of the foregoing. "Security" does not
- 26 include an insurance or endowment policy or annuity contract
- 27 under which an insurance company promises to pay money either
- 28 in a lump sum or periodically for life or for some other
- 29 specified period. "Security" also does not include an
- 30 interest in a limited liability company or a limited liability
- 31 partnership if the person claiming that such an interest is
- 32 not a security proves that all of the members of the limited
- 33 liability company or limited liability partnership are
- 34 actively engaged in the management of the limited liability
- 35 company or limited liability partnership; provided that the

- 1 evidence that members vote or have the right to vote, or the
- 2 right to information concerning the business and affairs of
- 3 the limited liability company or limited liability
- 4 partnership, or the right to participate in management, shall
- 5 not establish, without more, that all members are actively
- 6 engaged in the management of the limited liability company or
- 7 limited liability partnership.
- 8 Sec. 5. Section 502.201, Code 1997, is amended to read as
- 9 follows:
- 10 502.201 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT.
- It is unlawful for any person to offer or sell any security
- 12 in this state unless one of the following applies:
- 13 1. It is registered under this chapter; -or.
- 14 2. The security or transaction is exempted under section
- 15 502.202 or 502.203.
- 16 3. It is a federal covered security.
- 17 Sec. 6. Section 502.202, subsection 7, Code 1997, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 7. Any security issued or guaranteed by any-railroad,
- 20 other-common-carrier, a public utility, or holding company
- 21 which is any of the following:
- 22 a.--Subject-to-the-jurisdiction-of-the-interstate-commerce
- 23 commission;
- 24 b. a. A registered holding company under the Public
- 25 Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or a subsidiary of such a
- 26 company within the meaning of that Act; -or.
- 27 b. Regulated in respect of its rates and charges by a
- 28 governmental authority of the United States or any state.
- 29 c. Regulated in respect of the issuance or guarantee of
- 30 the security by a governmental authority of the United States,
- 31 any state, Canada, or any Canadian province.
- 32 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 502.206A FEDERAL COVERED
- 33 SECURITIES.
- 1. The administrator, by rule or order, may require the
- 35 filing of any or all of the following documents with respect

1 to a federal covered security under section 18(b)(2) of the

- 2 Securities Act of 1933:
- 3 a. Prior to the initial offer of a federal covered
- 4 security in this state, all documents that are part of a
- 5 current federal registration statement filed with the United
- 6 States securities and exchange commission under the Securities
- 7 Act of 1933, together with a consent to service of process
- 8 signed by the issuer and a filing fee calculated as specified
- 9 in section 502.208, subsection 2.
- 10 b. After the initial offer of a federal covered security
- 11 in this state, all documents that are part of an amendment to
- 12 a current federal registration statement filed with the United
- 13 States securities and exchange commission under the Securities
- 14 Act of 1933.
- 15 c. To the extent necessary to compute fees, an annual or
- 16 periodic report of the value of the federal covered securities
- 17 offered or sold in this state together with the applicable
- 18 filing fee, if any, calculated as specified in section
- 19 502.208, subsection 2.
- 20 2. With respect to any security that is a federal covered
- 21 security under section 18(b)(4)(D) of the Securities Act of
- 22 1933, the administrator, by rule or otherwise, may require the
- 23 issuer to file a notice on Form D as promulgated by the
- 24 securities and exchange commission and a consent to service of
- 25 process signed by the issuer not later than fifteen days after
- 26 the first sale of the federal covered security in this state
- 27 together with a filing fee, as established by rule adopted by
- 28 the administrator.
- 29 3. The administrator, by rule or otherwise, may require
- 30 the filing of any document filed with the securities and
- 31 exchange commission under the Securities Act of 1933 with
- 32 respect to a federal covered security under section 18(b)(3)
- 33 or (4) of the Securities Act of 1933, together with a filing
- 34 fee established by rule adopted by the administrator which
- 35 shall not be more than one hundred dollars.

- 4. The administrator may issue a stop order suspending the 2 offer and sale of a federal covered security, except a federal 3 covered security under section 18(b)(1) of the Securities Act 4 of 1933, if the administrator finds that both of the following 5 apply:
- 6 a. The order is in the public interest.
- 7 b. The person against whom the stop order is issued has
- 8 failed to comply with a requirement provided in this section.
- 9 5. The administrator, by rule or otherwise, may waive any
- 10 requirement of this section if the administrator finds good
- 11 cause that the requirement is not necessary in order to carry
- 12 out the purposes of the section.
- 13 Sec. 8. Section 502.207A, subsection 5, Code 1997, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- 15 5. In connection with an offering registered under this
- 16 section, a person may be registered as an agent of the issuer
- 17 under section 502.301 by the filing of an application by the
- 18 issuer with the administrator for the registration of the
- 19 person as an agent of the issuer and the paying of a fee of
- 20 ten dollars. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
- 21 chapter, the registration of the agent shall be effective
- 22 until withdrawn by the issuer or until the securities
- 23 registered pursuant to the registration statement have all
- 24 been sold, whichever occurs first. The registration of an
- 25 agent shall become effective when ordered by the administrator
- 26 or on the fifth business day after the agent's application has
- 27 been filed with the administrator, whichever occurs first, and
- 28 the administrator shall not impose further conditions upon the
- 29 registration of the agent. However, the administrator may
- 30 deny, revoke, suspend, or withdraw the registration of the
- 31 agent at any time as provided in section 502.304. For-the
- 32 purposes-of-registration-of-agents-under-this-section; -the
- 33 issuer-and-agent-are-not-required-to-post-bond. An agent
- 34 registered solely pursuant to this section is entitled to sell
- 35 only securities registered under this section.

- 1 Sec. 9. Section 502.208, subsections 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11,
  2 and 13, Code 1997, are amended to read as follows:
- 3 l. A registration statement or a notice filing made
- 4 pursuant to section 502.206A may be filed by the issuer, any
- 5 other person on whose behalf the offering is to be made, or a
- 6 registered broker-dealer.
- 7 2. a. Except as provided in subsection 13 and section
- 8 502.207A, subsection 3, paragraph "g", a person who files a
- 9 registration statement or a notice filing shall pay a filing
- 10 fee of one-tenth of one percent of the proposed aggregate
- 11 sales price of the securities to be offered to persons in this
- 12 state pursuant to the registration statement or notice filing.
- 13 However, except as provided in paragraph "c" of this
- 14 subsection, subsection 13, and section 502.207A, subsection 3,
- 15 paragraph "g", the annual filing fee shall not be less than
- 16 fifty dollars or more than one thousand dollars.
- 17 b. The administrator shall retain the filing fee even if
- 18 the notice filing is withdrawn or the registration is
- 19 withdrawn, denied, suspended, revoked, or abandoned.
- 20 c. A person who is a-face-amount-certificate-company,
- 21 open-end-management-investment-company,-or-a-unit-investment
- 22 trust,-as-defined-in-the-Investment-Company-Act-of-1940, the
- 23 issuer of a federal covered security under section 18(b)(2) of
- 24 the Securities Act of 1933 shall initially register make a
- 25 notice filing and annually renew a registration-statement
- 26 notice filing in this state for an indefinite amount or a
- 27 fixed amount. The fixed amount must be for two hundred fifty
- 28 thousand dollars. A registrant notice filer shall pay a
- 29 filing fee when the statement notice is filed. If the
- 30 registration-statement amount covered by the notice is
- 31 indefinite, the registrant notice filer shall pay a filing fee
- 32 of one thousand dollars. If the registration-statement amount
- 33 covered by the notice is fixed, the registrant notice filer
- 34 shall pay a filing fee of two hundred fifty dollars, and the
- 35 following shall apply:

- 1 (1) The registrant notice filer shall file a sales report
  2 with the administrator or pay an additional filing fee of one
  3 thousand two hundred fifty dollars within ninety days after
  4 the registration-statement's notice filing's annual renewal
  5 date. If the registrant notice filer files a sales report
  6 with the administrator, the registrant notice filer shall pay
  7 an additional filing fee of one-tenth of one percent of the
  8 amount of securities sold in excess of two hundred fifty
  9 thousand dollars. The additional filing fee must be paid
  10 within ninety days after the registration-statement's notice
  11 filing's annual renewal date.
- 12 (2) The administrator-shall-order-the-registration-of
  13 notice filing covering the additional securities shall be
  14 effective retroactively as of the effective date of the
  15 registration-statement notice filing that is being amended.
- 4. Any document filed under this chapter or a predecessor 17 act within five years preceding the filing of a registration 18 statement or notice filing may be incorporated by reference in 19 the registration statement or notice filing to the extent that 20 the document is currently accurate.
- 21 5. The administrator may by rule or otherwise permit the 22 omission of any item of information or document from any 23 registration statement or notice filing.
- 8. The administrator may by rule require that <u>registered</u>
   securities of designated classes shall be issued under a trust
   indenture containing such provisions as the administrator
   determines.
- 9. a. A registration statement or notice filing shall
  remain effective for one year from its effective date unless
  it is renewed, extended, or amended by rule or order of the
  administrator. An initial notice filing or a renewal or
  amendment of a notice filing becomes effective on the date
  received by the administrator, or, if requested by the issuer,
  on the date that the initial notice filing, renewal, or
  amendment is effective with the securities and exchange

1 commission. All outstanding securities of the same class as a 2 registered security or a security for which a notice filing 3 has been made are considered to be registered or covered by a 4 notice filing for the purpose of any transaction by or on 5 behalf of a person who is not the issuer, and who is not in 6 control of the issuer or controlled by the issuer or under 7 common control with the issuer, so long as the registration 8 statement or notice filing is effective, unless otherwise 9 prescribed by order. A registration statement may or notice 10 filing shall not be withdrawn after its effective date if any ll of the securities has been sold in this state, unless 12 permitted by rule or order of the administrator. A 13 registration statement is not effective during the time a stop 14 order is in effect under section 502.209. A notice filing is 15 not effective during the time that a stop order issued 16 pursuant to section 502.206A is in effect. A registration 17 statement which never became effective may be withdrawn 18 without prejudice to the issuer upon request and for good 19 cause as determined at the discretion of the administrator. During the effective period of a registration 21 statement, the administrator may by rule or order require the 22 person who filed the registration statement to file reports, 23 not more often than quarterly, to keep reasonably current the 24 information contained in the registration statement and to 25 disclose the progress of the offering. If any of the 26 securities registered has been sold in this state, the 27 administrator may by rule or order extend the period for 28 filing the reports for an additional period not exceeding two

11. Except-for-face-amount-certificate-companies,-open-end management-investment-companies,-and-unit-investment-trusts, as-defined-by-the-Investment-Company-Act-of-1940,-registration Registration statements may be amended during the registration period to increase the amount of registered securities to be

29 years from the date the registration became effective or from

30 the date of its last amendment or extension.

- 1 offered for sale to persons in this state.
- 2 a. The amendment to the registration statement becomes
- 3 effective on the date ordered by the administrator.
- 4 b. Filing fees shall be calculated as specified by
- 5 subsection 2, paragraph "a", and subsection 13.
- 6 13. a---With-the-exception-of-face-amount-certificate
- 7 companies, open-end-management-investment-companies, and-unit
- 8 investment-trusts,-a A registrant who sold securities to
- 9 persons in this state in excess of the amount of securities
- 10 registered in this state at the time of the sale may file an
- 11 amendment to its registration statement to register the
- 12 additional securities. The following requirements shall
- 13 apply:
- 14 (1) a. If a registrant proposes to sell securities to
- 15 persons in this state pursuant to a registration statement
- 16 that is currently effective in this state in an amount that
- 17 exceeds the amount registered in this state, the registrant
- 18 must do both of the following:
- 19 (a) (1) File an amendment to register the additional
- 20 securities.
- 21 (b) (2) Pay an additional filing fee in the same amount as
- 22 specified by subsection 2, paragraph "a", as though the
- 23 amendment constitutes a separate issue.
- 24 (2) b. If a registrant sold securities to persons in this
- 25 state in excess of the amount registered in this state at that
- 26 time, the registrant must do both of the following:
- 27 (1) File an amendment to register the additional
- 28 securities.
- 29 (b) (2) Pay an additional filing fee that is three times
- 30 the amount specified in subsection 2, paragraph "a", as though
- 31 the amendment constitutes a separate issue.
- 32 (3) c. The administrator may order the amendment effective
- 33 retroactively as of the effective date of the registration
- 34 statement that is being amended.
- 35 Sec. 10. Section 502.302, subsection 4, Code 1997, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 4. The administrator may by rule or order require a
- 3 minimum capital for broker-dealers and-establish-limitations
- 4 on-aggregate-indebtedness-of-broker-dealers-in-relation-to-net
- 5 capital-and-may-classify-broker-dealers-for-purposes-of-such
- 6 requirements subject to the limitations of section 15 of the
- 7 Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The-administrator-may-not;
- 8 however,-with-respect-to-any-broker-dealer-who-is-a-member-of
- 9 the-national-association-of-securities-dealers,-inc-,-or-who
- 10 is-registered-with-the-securities-and-exchange-commission,
- 11 require-a-higher-minimum-capital-or-lower-ratio-of-aggregate
- 12 indebtedness-to-net-capital-than-is-contained-in-the-rules-and
- 13 regulations-adopted-by-such-association-or-commission-
- 14 Sec. 11. Section 502.303, subsections 1 and 2, Code 1997,
- 15 are amended to read as follows:
- 16 1. Every registered broker-dealer shall make and keep such
- 17 accounts, correspondence, memoranda, papers, books, and other
- 18 records as the administrator by-rule-prescribes may prescribe
- 19 by rule or order, except as provided by section 15 of the
- 20 Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All-records-so-required-shall
- 21 be-preserved-for-three-years-unless-the-administrator-by-rule
- 22 prescribes-otherwise-for-particular-types-of-records---All
- 23 required-records-shall-be-kept-within-this-state-or-shall;-at
- 24 the-request-of-the-administrator,-be-made-available-at-any
- 25 time-for-examination-at-the-administrator's-option-either-in
- 26 the-principal-office-of-the-registrant-or-by-production-of
- 27 exact-copies-thereof-in-this-state-
- 28 2. Every registered broker-dealer shall file such
- 29 financial reports as the administrator by-rule prescribes by
- 30 rule or order, not to exceed the limitations provided in
- 31 section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 32 Sec. 12. Section 502.304, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code
- 33 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- e. Is the subject of an order of the administrator
- 35 denying, suspending, or revoking registration as a broker-

- 1 dealer, agent, or insurance agent;
- 2 Sec. 13. Section 502.406, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 3 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 4 a. Neither-the The fact that a registration statement or a
- 5 notice filing has been filed under this chapter nor the
- 6 fact that such the statement has become effective constitutes
- 7 does not constitute a finding by the administrator that any
- 8 document filed under this chapter is true, complete or not
- 9 misleading. Neither-any Any such fact nor or the fact that an
- 10 exemption is available for a security or a transaction means
- 11 does not mean that the administrator has passed in any way
- 12 upon the merits or qualifications of, or has recommended or
- 13 given approval to, any person, security or transaction.
- 14 Sec. 14. Section 502.501, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 15 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 a. Violates section 502.201, subsection 1 or 2, or section
- 17 502.208, subsection 12, or section 502.406, subsection 2,
- 18 paragraph "b", or
- 19 Sec. 15. Section 502.602, Code 1997, is amended to read as
- 20 follows:
- 21 502.602 FILING OF SALES AND ADVERTISING LITERATURE.
- 22 The administrator may by rule or order require the filing
- 23 of any prospectus, pamphlet, circular, form letter,
- 24 advertisement, or other sales literature or advertising
- 25 communication addressed or intended for distribution to
- 26 prospective investors, unless the security is a federal
- 27 covered security or the transaction relates to a federal
- 28 covered security or the security or transaction is exempted by
- 29 section 502.202 or 502.203. The administrator may by rule or
- 30 order prohibit the publication, circulation or use of any
- 31 advertising deemed false or misleading.
- 32 Sec. 16. Section 502.607, subsection 1, Code 1997, is
- 33 amended to read as follows:
- 34 1. Pursuant to the-Iowa-administrative-procedure-Act
- 35 chapter 17A, the administrator may from time to time make,

- 1 amend, and rescind such rules, forms, and orders as are
- 2 necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter,
- 3 including rules and forms governing registration statements,
- 4 notice filings, applications, and reports, and defining any
- 5 terms, whether or not used in this chapter, insofar as the
- 6 definitions are not inconsistent with the provisions of this
- 7 chapter. For the purpose of rules and forms, the
- 8 administrator may classify securities, persons, and other
- 9 relevant matters, and prescribe different requirements for
- 10 different classes.
- 11 Sec. 17. Section 502.608, subsections 2 and 3, Code 1997,
- 12 are amended to read as follows:
- 13 2. The administrator shall keep a register of all
- 14 applications for registration, notice filings, and
- 15 registration statements which are or have been effective under
- 16 this chapter and predecessor laws, and all censure, denial,
- 17 suspension, or revocation orders which have been entered under
- 18 this chapter and predecessor laws. The register shall be open
- 19 for public inspection.
- 20 3. The information contained in or filed with any
- 21 registration statement, application, notice filing, or report
- 22 may be made available to the public under such rules as the
- 23 administrator prescribes.
- Sec. 18. Section 502.609, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 25 paragraph 1, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 26 Every applicant for registration under this chapter, and
- 27 every issuer which proposes to offer a security in this state,
- 28 shall file with the administrator, in such form as the
- 29 administrator by rule prescribes, an irrevocable consent
- 30 appointing the administrator or the administrator's successor
- 31 in office to be such person's attorney to receive service of
- 32 any lawful process in any noncriminal suit, action or
- 33 proceeding against such person or the successor, executor or
- 34 administrator of such person which arises under this chapter
- 35 or any rule or order hereunder after the consent has been

- 1 filed, with the same validity as if served personally on the
- 2 person filing the consent. The consent need not be filed by a
- 3 person who has filed a consent in connection with a previous
- 4 registration or notice filing which is then in effect.
- 5 Service may be made by leaving a copy of the process in the
- 6 office of the administrator, but it is not effective unless
- 7 the plaintiff, including the administrator when acting as
- 8 such,
- 9 Sec. 19. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
- 10 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 11 EXPLANATION
- 12 This bill amends a number of provisions included in chapter
- 13 502, regulating securities. The bill adds provisions relating
- 14 to federal covered securities regulated under the federal
- 15 Securities Act of 1933 or rules or regulations promulgated by
- 16 the securities and exchange commission. Under the federal
- 17 Act, these securities are exempted from registration
- 18 requirements. The bill revises the definition of "agent" to
- 19 include a person who deals in federal covered securities. The
- 20 bill provides that the administrator may require the filing of
- 21 documents relating to federal covered securities, including a
- 22 current federal registration statement, amendments to a
- 23 current federal registration statement, reports concerning the
- 24 value of federal covered securities, and any other documents
- 25 required to be filed with the securities and exchange
- 26 commission. The bill provides that the administrator may
- 27 issue a stop order suspending the offer and sale of certain
- 28 federal covered securities. It provides that the
- 29 administrator may also waive the filing requirements of the
- 30 bill for federal covered securities.
- 31 The bill adds limited liability partnerships to the types
- 32 of entities dealing in securities regulated under the chapter.
- 33 The bill eliminates a reference to the interstate commerce
- 34 commission which has been abolished by Congress. The bill
- 35 eliminates a reference, for purposes of registration of agents

1 under Code section 502.207A, to a surety bond required when an 2 offering is made. The bill provides for minimum capital 3 requirements for brokers. The bill allows the minimum capital 4 requirement to be set by order of the administrator as well as 5 by rule. The bill provides that the capital requirements are 6 subject to limitations of the federal Securities Exchange Act 7 of 1934 and eliminates provisions basing capital requirements 8 on rules and regulations adopted by the national association 9 of securities dealers, inc., or the United States securities 10 and exchange commission. The bill provides for the 11 application of disciplinary action against persons licensed as 12 insurance agents who are subject to sanctions. The bill 13 provides that a notice filing may be substituted for the 14 filing of a registration statement. 15 The bill takes effect upon enactment. 16 17 18

## HOUSE FILE 553 FISCAL NOTE

A fiscal note for House File 553 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

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## **ASSUMPTIONS**

- 1. The NSMIA preempts State registration of investment company offerings, but preserves the ability of the State to require notice filings and fees.
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- 3. House File 553 specifies the intent of the State to require notice filings and fees.
- 4. The fees specified are equal to those collected by the State prior to the NSMIA's preemption of State security laws.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

House File 553 restores the authority of the Commissioner of Insurance to charge filing fees equal to those collected prior to federal preemption. The estimated fiscal impact to the General Fund for FY 1998 is \$4.0 million and for FY 1999 is \$4.2 million.

#### SOURCES

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- 14 (3) Effecting transactions in a federal covered security
- 15 as described in sections 18(b)(3) and 18(b)(4)(D) of the
- 16 Securities Act of 1933 as amended in Pub. L. No. 104-290.
- 17 c. (4) Effecting transactions with an existing employees
- 18 employee, partners partner, or directors director of the
- 19 issuer if no commission or other remuneration is paid or given
- 20 directly or indirectly for soliciting any person in this
- 21 state.
- 22 b. A broker-dealer in effecting a transaction in this
- 23 state which is limited to a transaction provided in section
- 24 15(h)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 25 "Agent" also does not include any other individuals
- 26 individual who are is not within the intent of this subsection
- 27 whom the administrator by rule or order designates. A
- 28 partner, officer, or director of a broker-dealer or issuer, or
- 29 a person occupying a similar status or performing similar
- 30 functions, is an agent only if such person otherwise comes
- 31 within this definition.
- 32 Sec. 2. Section 502.102, Code 1997, is amended by adding
- 33 the following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. "Federal covered security" means any
- 35 security that is a covered security under section 18(b) of the

- 1 Securities Act of 1933 or rules or regulations adopted under
- 2 the Securities Act of 1933, except that up through October 10,
- 3 1999, a federal covered security for which a fee has not been
- 4 paid and promptly remedied following written notification from
- 5 the administrator to the issuer of the nonpayment or
- 6 underpayment of the fee, as required by this chapter, shall
- 7 not be a federal covered security.
- 8 Sec. 3. Section 502.102, Code 1997, is amended by adding
- 9 the following new subsection:
- 10 NEW SUBSECTION. 13A. "Securities and exchange commission"
- 11 means the United States securities and exchange commission as
- 12 established pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78(d).
- 13 Sec. 4. Section 502.102, subsection 14, Code 1997, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- 15 14. "Security" means any note; stock; treasury stock;
- 16 bond; debenture; evidence of indebtedness; certificate of
- 17 interest or participation in a profit sharing agreement;
- 18 collateral trust certificate; preorganization certificate or
- 19 subscription; transferable share; investment contract; voting
- 20 trust certificate; certificate of deposit for a security;
- 21 fractional undivided interest in an oil, gas, or other mineral
- 22 lease or in payments out of production under such a lease,
- 23 right, or royalty; an interest in a limited liability company
- 24 or in a limited liability partnership or any class or series
- 25 of such interest, including any fractional or other interest
- 26 in such interest; or, in general, any interest or instrument
- 27 commonly known as a "security", or any certificate of interest
- 28 or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for,
- 29 receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to
- 30 or purchase, any of the foregoing. "Security" does not
- 31 include an insurance or endowment policy or annuity contract
- 32 under which an insurance company promises to pay money either
- 33 in a lump sum or periodically for life or for some other
- 34 specified period. "Security" also does not include an
- 35 interest in a limited liability company or a limited liability

- 1 partnership if the person claiming that such an interest is
- 2 not a security proves that all of the members of the limited
- 3 liability company or limited liability partnership are
- 4 actively engaged in the management of the limited liability
- 5 company or limited liability partnership; provided that the
- 6 evidence that members vote or have the right to vote, or the
- 7 right to information concerning the business and affairs of
- 8 the limited liability company or limited liability
- 9 partnership, or the right to participate in management, shall
- 10 not establish, without more, that all members are actively
- 11 engaged in the management of the limited liability company or
- 12 limited liability partnership.
- 13 Sec. 5. Section 502.201, Code 1997, is amended to read as
- 14 follows:
- 15 502.201 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT.
- 16 It is unlawful for any person to offer or sell any security
- 17 in this state unless one of the following applies:
- 18 1. It is registered under this chapter; -or.
- 19 2. The security or transaction is exempted under section
- 20 502.202 or 502.203.
- 21 3. It is a federal covered security.
- 22 Sec. 6. Section 502.202, subsection 7, Code 1997, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- 7. Any security issued or guaranteed by any-railroad,
- 25 other-common-carrier, a public utility, or holding company
- 26 which is any of the following:
- 27 a.--Subject-to-the-jurisdiction-of-the-interstate-commerce
- 28 commission;
- 29 b. a. A registered holding company under the Public
- 30 Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or a subsidiary of such a
- 31 company within the meaning of that Act; -or.
- 32 b. Regulated in respect of its rates and charges by a
- 33 governmental authority of the United States or any state.
- 34 c. Regulated in respect of the issuance or guarantee of
- 35 the security by a governmental authority of the United States,

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- 1 any state, Canada, or any Canadian province.
- 2 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 502.206A FEDERAL COVERED
- 3 SECURITIES.
- 4 1. The administrator, by rule or order, may require the
- 5 filing of any or all of the following documents with respect
- 6 to a federal covered security under section 18(b)(2) of the
- 7 Securities Act of 1933:
- 8 a. Prior to the initial offer of a federal covered
- 9 security in this state, all documents that are part of a
- 10 current federal registration statement filed with the United
- 11 States securities and exchange commission under the Securities
- 12 Act of 1933, together with a consent to service of process
- 13 signed by the issuer and a filing fee calculated as specified
- 14 in section 502.208, subsections 2 and 13.
- 15 b. After the initial offer of a federal covered security
- 16 in this state, all documents that are part of an amendment to
- 17 a current federal registration statement filed with the United
- 18 States securities and exchange commission under the Securities
- 19 Act of 1933.
- 20 c. An annual or periodic report of the value of the
- 21 federal covered securities offered or sold in this state
- 22 together with the applicable filing fee, if any, calculated as
- 23 specified in section 502.208, subsections 2 and 13.
- 24 2. With respect to any security that is a federal covered
- 25 security under section 18(b)(4)(D) of the Securities Act of
- 26 1933, the administrator, by rule or otherwise, may require the
- 27 issuer to file a notice on Form D as promulgated by the
- 28 securities and exchange commission and a consent to service of
- 29 process signed by the issuer not later than fifteen days after
- 30 the first sale of the federal covered security in this state
- 31 together with a filing fee, as established by rule adopted by
- 32 the administrator.
- 33 3. The administrator, by rule or otherwise, may require
- 34 the filing of any document filed with the securities and
- 35 exchange commission under the Securities Act of 1933 with

- 1 respect to a federal covered security under section 18(b)(3)
- 2 or (4) of the Securities Act of 1933, together with a filing
- 3 fee established by rule adopted by the administrator which
- 4 shall not be more than one hundred dollars.
- 5 4. The administrator may issue a stop order suspending the
- 6 offer and sale of a federal covered security, except a federal
- 7 covered security under section 18(b)(1) of the Securities Act
- 8 of 1933, if the administrator finds that both of the following
- 9 apply:
- 10 a. The order is in the public interest.
- 11 b. The person against whom the stop order is issued has
- 12 failed to comply with a requirement provided in this section.
- 13 5. The administrator, by rule or otherwise, may waive any
- 14 requirement of this section if the administrator finds good
- 15 cause that the requirement is not necessary in order to carry
- 16 out the purposes of the section.
- 17 Sec. 8. Section 502.207A, subsection 5, Code 1997, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 5. In connection with an offering registered under this
- 20 section, a person may be registered as an agent of the issuer
- 21 under section 502.301 by the filing of an application by the
- 22 issuer with the administrator for the registration of the
- 23 person as an agent of the issuer and the paying of a fee of
- 24 ten dollars. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
- 25 chapter, the registration of the agent shall be effective
- 26 until withdrawn by the issuer or until the securities
- 27 registered pursuant to the registration statement have all
- 28 been sold, whichever occurs first. The registration of an
- 29 agent shall become effective when ordered by the administrator
- 30 or on the fifth business day after the agent's application has
- 31 been filed with the administrator, whichever occurs first, and
- 32 the administrator shall not impose further conditions upon the
- 33 registration of the agent. However, the administrator may
- 34 deny, revoke, suspend, or withdraw the registration of the
- 35 agent at any time as provided in section 502.304. For-the

- 1 purposes-of-registration-of-agents-under-this-section;-the
- 2 issuer-and-agent-are-not-required-to-post-bond. An agent
- 3 registered solely pursuant to this section is entitled to sell
- 4 only securities registered under this section.
- 5 Sec. 9. Section 502.302, subsection 4, Code 1997, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 4. The administrator may by rule or order require a
- 8 minimum capital for broker-dealers and-establish-limitations
- 9 on-aggregate-indebtedness-of-broker-dealers-in-relation-to-net
- 10 capital-and-may-classify-broker-dealers-for-purposes-of-such
- 11 requirements subject to the limitations of section 15 of the
- 12 Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The-administrator-may-not,
- 13 however,-with-respect-to-any-broker-dealer-who-is-a-member-of
- 14 the-national-association-of-securities-dealers,-inc-,-or-who
- 15 is-registered-with-the-securities-and-exchange-commission;
- 16 require-a-higher-minimum-capital-or-lower-ratio-of-aggregate
- 17 indebtedness-to-net-capital-than-is-contained-in-the-rules-and
- 18 regulations-adopted-by-such-association-or-commission.
- 19 Sec. 10. Section 502.303, subsections 1 and 2, Code 1997,
- 20 are amended to read as follows:
- 21 1. Every registered broker-dealer shall make and keep such
- 22 accounts, correspondence, memoranda, papers, books, and other
- 23 records as the administrator by-rule-prescribes may prescribe
- 24 by rule or order, except as provided by section 15 of the
- 25 Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All-records-so-required-shall
- 26 be-preserved-for-three-years-unless-the-administrator-by-rule
- 27 prescribes-otherwise-for-particular-types-of-records---All
- 28 required-records-shall-be-kept-within-this-state-or-shall,-at
- 29 the-request-of-the-administrator,-be-made-available-at-any
- 30 time-for-examination-at-the-administrator's-option-either-in
- 31 the-principal-office-of-the-registrant-or-by-production-of
- 32 exact-copies-thereof-in-this-state.
- 33 2. Every registered broker-dealer shall file such
- 34 financial reports as the administrator by-rule prescribes by
- 35 rule or order, not to exceed the limitations provided in

- 1 section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2 Sec. 11. Section 502.304, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code
- 3 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 4 e. Is the subject of an order of the administrator
- 5 denying, suspending, or revoking registration as a broker-
- 6 dealer, agent, or insurance agent;
- 7 Sec. 12. Section 502.501, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 8 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 a. Violates section 502.201, subsection 1 or 2, or section
- 10 502.208, subsection 12, or section 502.406, subsection 2,
- 11 paragraph "b", or
- 12 Sec. 13. Section 502.602, Code 1997, is amended to read as
- 13 follows:
- 14 502.602 FILING OF SALES AND ADVERTISING LITERATURE.
- 15 The administrator may by rule or order require the filing
- 16 of any prospectus, pamphlet, circular, form letter,
- 17 advertisement, or other sales literature or advertising
- 18 communication addressed or intended for distribution to
- 19 prospective investors, unless the security or transaction is a
- 20 federal covered security or is exempted by section 502.202 or
- 21 502.203. The administrator may by rule or order prohibit the
- 22 publication, circulation or use of any advertising deemed
- 23 false or misleading.
- 24 Sec. 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
- 25 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 26 EXPLANATION
- 27 This bill amends a number of provisions included in chapter
- 28 502, regulating securities. The bill adds provisions relating
- 29 to federal covered securities regulated under the federal
- 30 Securities Act of 1933 or rules or regulations promulgated by
- 31 the securities and exchange commission. Under the federal
- 32 Act, these securities are exempted from registration
- 33 requirements. The bill revises the definition of "agent" to
- 34 include a person who deals in federal covered securities. The
- 35 bill provides that the administrator may require the filing of

1 documents relating to federal covered securities, including a

- 2 current federal registration statement, amendments to a
- 3 current federal registration statement, reports concerning the
- 4 value of federal covered securities, and any other documents
- 5 required to be filed with the securities and exchange
- 6 commission. The bill provides that the administrator may
- 7 issue a stop order suspending the offer and sale of certain
- 8 federal covered securities. It provides that the
- 9 administrator may also waive the filing requirements of the
- 10 bill for federal covered securities.
- 11 The bill adds limited liability partnerships to the types
- 12 of entities dealing in securities regulated under the chapter.
- 13 The bill eliminates a reference to the interstate commerce
- 14 commission which has been abolished by Congress. The bill
- 15 eliminates a reference, for purposes of registration of agents
- 16 under Code section 502.207A, to a surety bond required when an
- 17 offering is made. The bill provides for minimum capital
- 18 requirements for brokers. The bill allows the minimum capital
- 19 requirement to be set by order of the administrator as well as
- 20 by rule. The bill provides that the capital requirements are
- 21 subject to limitations of the federal Securities Exchange Act
- 22 of 1934 and eliminates provisions basing capital requirements
- 23 on rules and regulations adopted by the national association
- 24 of securities dealers, inc., or the United States securities
- 25 and exchange commission. The bill provides for the
- 26 application of disciplinary action against persons licensed as
- 27 insurance agents who are subject to sanctions.
- 28 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Members of the 77th General Assembly

From: Craig A. Goettsch

Superintendent of Securities

Re: Securities Legislation

Date: January 31, 1997

The Insurance Division/ Securities Bureau has filed legislation which is largely technical corrections to chapter 502, the Iowa Uniform Securities Act (IUSA). The bulk of this proposal is intended to conform IUSA to the National Securities Markets Improvement Act of 1996 ("NSMIA"), which became law in October, 1996. In NSMIA, the Congress has tried to divide regulatory responsibilities between the states and the federal Securities and Exchange Commission.

Most of the language in the bill is taken from a draft developed by the North American Securities Administrators Association ("NASAA"). NASAA determined that it's approach would be to conform to the intent of the Congress, and to stress to the greatest extent possible, uniformity. Clearly, the Congress has put a premium on states being as uniform as possible. Drafts of this legislation were shared with the lowa Bar Securities Committee and some industry representatives. We expect this bill to be noncontroversial.

Sections 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, and 15 relate to the NSMIA. In section 3 we propose to add the term limited liability partnership to the LLC definition change from last year. The Bureau has three open enforcement cases involving LLPs. Section 5 deletes the reference to the Interstate Commerce Commission in existing section 502.202(7)(a), since the ICC no longer exists. Section 7 contains a deletion of an outdated reference to the surety bond. Sections 11 and 12 add the fact that the person has been the subject of an administrative action affecting an insurance license (e.g., an insurance agent whose license is revoked for converting premiums would be subject to a securities licensing action as well) to the reasons for sanctioning an agent.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

HOUSE FILE 553

#### AN ACT

AMENDING THE UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES AND THE REGISTRATION OF BROKER-DEALERS AND AGENTS, ESTABLISHING FEES, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 502.102, subsection 3, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

- 3. "Agent" means any individual other than a broker-dealer who represents a broker-dealer or issuer in effecting or attempting to effect purchases or sales of securities.

  "Agent" does not include an individual who represents an:
  - a. An issuer in doing any of the following:
- a. (1) Effecting transactions in a security exempted by section 502.202, subsection 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, or 17, or a security issued by an industrial loan company licensed under chapter 536A<sub>7</sub>.

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- $b_{\overline{\tau}}$  (2) Effecting transactions exempted by section 502.203;
- (3) Effecting transactions in a federal covered security as described in sections 18(b)(3) and 18(b)(4)(D) of the Securities Act of 1933 as amended in Pub. L. No. 104-290.
- et (4) Effecting transactions with an existing employees employee, member, manager, partners partner, or directors director of the issuer if no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting any person in this state.
- b. A broker-dealer in effecting a transaction in this state which is limited to a transaction provided in section 15(h)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"Agent" also does not include any other individuals individual who are is not within the intent of this subsection whom the administrator by rule or order designates. A partner, member, manager, officer, or director of a broker-dealer or issuer, or a person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions, is an agent only if such person otherwise comes within this definition.

Sec. 2. Section 502.102, Code 1997, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. "Federal covered security" means any security that is a covered security under section 18(b) of the Securities Act of 1933 or rules or regulations adopted under the Securities Act of 1933.

Sec. 3. Section 502.102, Code 1997, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 13A. "Securities and exchange commission" means the United States securities and exchange commission as established pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78(d).

- Sec. 4. Section 502.102, subsection 14, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 14. "Security" means any note; stock; treasury stock; bond; debenture; evidence of indebtedness; certificate of

interest or participation in a profit sharing agreement; collateral trust certificate; preorganization certificate or subscription; transferable share; investment contract; voting trust certificate; certificate of deposit for a security; fractional undivided interest in an oil, gas, or other mineral lease or in payments out of production under such a lease, right, or royalty; an interest in a limited liability company or in a limited liability partnership or any class or series of such interest, including any fractional or other interest in such interest; or, in general, any interest or instrument commonly known as a "security", or any certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, receipt for, quarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase, any of the foregoing. "Security" does not include an insurance or endowment policy or annuity contract under which an insurance company promises to pay money either in a lump sum or periodically for life or for some other specified period. "Security" also does not include an interest in a limited liability company or a limited liability partnership if the person claiming that such an interest is not a security proves that all of the members of the limited liability company or limited liability partnership are actively engaged in the management of the limited liability company or limited liability partnership; provided that the evidence that members vote or have the right to vote, or the right to information concerning the business and affairs of the limited liability company or limited liability partnership, or the right to participate in management, shall not establish, without more, that all members are actively engaged in the management of the limited liability company or limited liability partnership.

Sec. 5. Section 502.201, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

502.201 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT.

It is unlawful for any person to offer or sell any security in this state unless one of the following applies:

- 1. It is registered under this chapter 7-or.
- 2. The security or transaction is exempted under section 502.202 or 502.203.
  - 3. It is a federal covered security.
- Sec. 6. Section 502.202, subsection 7, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 7. Any security issued or guaranteed by any-railroad, other-common-carrier, a public utility, or holding company which is any of the following:
- ar--Subject-to-the-jurisdiction-of-the-interstate-commerce commission;
- b. a. A registered holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or a subsidiary of such a company within the meaning of that Act; -or.
- b. Regulated in respect of its rates and charges by a governmental authority of the United States or any state.
- c. Regulated in respect of the issuance or guarantee of the security by a governmental authority of the United States, any state, Canada, or any Canadian province.
- Sec. 7. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 502.206A FEDERAL COVERED SECURITIES.
- 1. The administrator, by rule or order, may require the filing of any or all of the following documents with respect to a federal covered security under section 18(b)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933:
- a. Prior to the initial offer of a federal covered security in this state, all documents that are part of a current federal registration statement filed with the United States securities and exchange commission under the Securities Act of 1933, together with a consent to service of process signed by the issuer and a filing fee calculated as specified in section 502.208, subsection 2.

- b. After the initial offer of a federal covered security in this state, all documents that are part of an amendment to a current federal registration statement filed with the United States securities and exchange commission under the Securities Act of 1933.
- c. To the extent necessary to compute fees, an annual or periodic report of the value of the federal covered securities offered or sold in this state together with the applicable filing fee, if any, calculated as specified in section 502.208, subsection 2.
- 2. With respect to any security that is a federal covered security under section 18(b)(4)(D) of the Securities Act of 1933, the administrator, by rule or otherwise, may require the issuer to file a notice on Form D as promulgated by the securities and exchange commission and a consent to service of process signed by the issuer not later than fifteen days after the first sale of the federal covered security in this state together with a filing fee, as established by rule adopted by the administrator.
- 3. The administrator, by rule or otherwise, may require the filing of any document filed with the securities and exchange commission under the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to a federal covered security under section 18(b)(3) or (4) of the Securities Act of 1933, together with a filing fee established by rule adopted by the administrator which shall not be more than one hundred dollars.
- 4. The administrator may issue a stop order suspending the offer and sale of a federal covered security, except a federal covered security under section 18(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933, if the administrator finds that both of the following apply:
  - a. The order is in the public interest.
- b. The person against whom the stop order is issued has failed to comply with a requirement provided in this section.

- 5. The administrator, by rule or otherwise, may waive any requirement of this section if the administrator finds good cause that the requirement is not necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the section.
- Sec. 8. Section 502.207A, subsection 5, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- In connection with an offering registered under this section, a person may be registered as an agent of the issuer under section 502.301 by the filing of an application by the issuer with the administrator for the registration of the person as an agent of the issuer and the paying of a fee of ten dollars. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the registration of the agent shall be effective until withdrawn by the issuer or until the securities registered pursuant to the registration statement have all been sold, whichever occurs first. The registration of an agent shall become effective when ordered by the administrator or on the fifth business day after the agent's application has been filed with the administrator, whichever occurs first, and the administrator shall not impose further conditions upon the registration of the agent. However, the administrator may deny, revoke, suspend, or withdraw the registration of the agent at any time as provided in section 502.304. For-the purposes-of-registration-of-agents-under-this-section;-the issuer-and-agent-are-not-required-to-post-bond. An agent registered solely pursuant to this section is entitled to sell only securities registered under this section.
- Sec. 9. Section 502.208, subsections 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, and 13, Code 1997, are amended to read as follows:
- 1. A registration statement or a notice filing made pursuant to section 502.206A may be filed by the issuer, any other person on whose behalf the offering is to be made, or a registered broker-dealer.
- a. Except as provided in subsection 13 and section 502.207A, subsection 3, paragraph "g", a person who files a

registration statement <u>or a notice filing</u> shall pay a filing fee of one-tenth of one percent of the proposed aggregate sales price of the securities to be offered to persons in this state pursuant to the registration statement <u>or notice filing</u>. However, except as provided in paragraph "c" of this subsection, subsection 13, and section 502.207A, subsection 3, paragraph "g", the annual filing fee shall not be less than fifty dollars or more than one thousand dollars.

- b. The administrator shall retain the filing fee even if the notice filing is withdrawn or the registration is withdrawn, denied, suspended, revoked, or abandoned.
- c. A person who is a-face-amount-certificate-company, open-end-management-investment-company\_-or-a-unit-investment trust;-as-defined-in-the-Investment-Company-Act-of-1940; the issuer of a federal covered security under section 18(b)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall initially register make a notice filing and annually renew a registration-statement notice filing in this state for an indefinite amount or a fixed amount. The fixed amount must be for two hundred fifty thousand dollars. A registrant notice filer shall pay a filing fee when the statement notice is filed. If the registration-statement amount covered by the notice is indefinite, the registrant notice filer shall pay a filing fee of one thousand dollars. If the registration-statement amount covered by the notice is fixed, the registrant notice filer shall pay a filing fee of two hundred fifty dollars, and the following shall apply:
- (1) The registrant notice filer shall file a sales report with the administrator or pay an additional filing fee of one thousand two hundred fifty dollars within ninety days after the registration-statement's notice filing's annual renewal date. If the registrant notice filer files a sales report with the administrator, the registrant notice filer shall pay an additional filing fee of one-tenth of one percent of the amount of securities sold in excess of two hundred fifty

thousand dollars. The additional filing fee must be paid within ninety days after the registration-statement's notice filing's annual renewal date.

- (2) The administrator-shall-order-the-registration-of notice filing covering the additional securities shall be effective retroactively as of the effective date of the registration-statement notice filing that is being amended.
- 4. Any document filed under this chapter or a predecessor act within five years preceding the filing of a registration statement or notice filing may be incorporated by reference in the registration statement or notice filing to the extent that the document is currently accurate.
- 5. The administrator may by rule or otherwise permit the omission of any item of information or document from any registration statement or notice filing.
- **8.** The administrator may by rule require that <u>registered</u> securities of designated classes shall be issued under a trust indenture containing such provisions as the administrator determines.
- 9. a. A registration statement or notice filing shall remain effective for one year from its effective date unless it is renewed, extended, or amended by rule or order of the administrator. An initial notice filing or a renewal or amendment of a notice filing becomes effective on the date received by the administrator, or, if requested by the issuer, on the date that the initial notice filing, renewal, or amendment is effective with the securities and exchange commission. All outstanding securities of the same class as a registered security or a security for which a notice filing has been made are considered to be registered or covered by a notice filing for the purpose of any transaction by or on behalf of a person who is not the issuer, and who is not in control of the issuer or controlled by the issuer or under common control with the issuer, so long as the registration statement or notice filing is effective, unless otherwise

prescribed by order. A registration statement may or notice filing shall not be withdrawn after its effective date if any of the securities has been sold in this state, unless permitted by rule or order of the administrator. A registration statement is not effective during the time a stop order is in effect under section 502.209. A notice filing is not effective during the time that a stop order issued pursuant to section 502.206A is in effect. A registration statement which never became effective may be withdrawn without prejudice to the issuer upon request and for good cause as determined at the discretion of the administrator.

- b. During the effective period of a registration statement, the administrator may by rule or order require the person who filed the registration statement to file reports, not more often than quarterly, to keep reasonably current the information contained in the registration statement and to disclose the progress of the offering. If any of the securities registered has been sold in this state, the administrator may by rule or order extend the period for filing the reports for an additional period not exceeding two years from the date the registration became effective or from the date of its last amendment or extension.
- 11. Except-for-face-amount-certificate-companies,-open-end management-investment-companies,-and-unit-investment-trusts, as-defined-by-the-Investment-Company-Act-of-1940,-registration Registration statements may be amended during the registration period to increase the amount of registered securities to be offered for sale to persons in this state.
- a. The amendment to the registration statement becomes effective on the date ordered by the administrator.
- b. Filing fees shall be calculated as specified by subsection 2, paragraph "a", and subsection 13.
- 13. a.-With-the-exception-of-face-amount-certificate companies,-open-end-management-investment-companies,-and-unit investment-trusts,-a A registrant who sold securities to

persons in this state in excess of the amount of securities registered in this state at the time of the sale may file an amendment to its registration statement to register the additional securities. The following requirements shall apply:

- $\{1\}$  <u>a.</u> If a registrant proposes to sell securities to persons in this state pursuant to a registration statement that is currently effective in this state in an amount that exceeds the amount registered in this state, the registrant must do both of the following:
- (a) (1) File an amendment to register the additional securities.
- (b) (2) Pay an additional filing fee in the same amount as specified by subsection 2, paragraph "a", as though the amendment constitutes a separate issue.
- (2) b. If a registrant sold securities to persons in this state in excess of the amount registered in this state at that time, the registrant must do both of the following:
- $ag{1}$  (1) File an amendment to register the additional securities.
- (b) (2) Pay an additional filing fee that is three times the amount specified in subsection 2, paragraph "a", as though the amendment constitutes a separate issue.
- +3) c. The administrator may order the amendment effective retroactively as of the effective date of the registration statement that is being amended.
- Sec. 10. Section 502.302, subsection 4, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- 4. The administrator may by rule or order require a minimum capital for broker-dealers and-establish-limitations on-aggregate-indebtedness-of-broker-dealers-in-relation-to-net capital-and-may-classify-broker-dealers-for-purposes-of-such requirements subject to the limitations of section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The-administrator-may-not, however,-with-respect-to-any-broker-dealer-who-is-a-member-of

the-national-association-of-securities-dealers;-inc-;-or-who is-registered-with-the-securities-and-exchange-commission; require-a-higher-minimum-capital-or-lower-ratio-of-aggregate indebtedness-to-net-capital-than-is-contained-in-the-rules-and regulations-adopted-by-such-association-or-commission;

Sec. 11. Section 502.303, subsections 1 and 2, Code 1997, are amended to read as follows:

- 1. Every registered broker-dealer shall make and keep such accounts, correspondence, memoranda, papers, books, and other records as the administrator by-rule-prescribes may prescribe by rule or order, except as provided by section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All-records-so-required shall-be-prescribes-otherwise-for-particular-types-of-records. All-required-records-shall-be-kept-within-this-state-or-shall, at-the-request-of-the-administrator, be-made-available-at-any time-for-examination-at-the-administrator's-option-either-in the-principal-office-of-the-registrant-or-by-production-of exact-copies-thereof-in-this-state.
- 2. Every registered broker-dealer shall file such financial reports as the administrator by-rule prescribes by rule or order, not to exceed the limitations provided in section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- Sec. 12. Section 502.304, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- e. Is the subject of an order of the administrator denying, suspending, or revoking registration as a brokerdealer, agent, or insurance agent;

Sec. 13. Section 502.406, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

a. Neither-the The fact that a registration statement or a notice filing has been filed under this chapter nor or the fact that such the statement has become effective constitutes does not constitute a finding by the administrator that any document filed under this chapter is true, complete or not

misleading. Neither-any Any such fact nor or the fact that an exemption is available for a security or a transaction means does not mean that the administrator has passed in any way upon the merits or qualifications of, or has recommended or given approval to, any person, security or transaction.

Sec. 14. Section 502.501, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

- a. Violates section 502.201, <u>subsection 1 or 2, or</u> section 502.208, subsection 12, or section 502.406, subsection 2, paragraph "b", or
- Sec. 15. Section 502.602, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

502.602 FILING OF SALES AND ADVERTISING LITERATURE.

The administrator may by rule or order require the filing of any prospectus, pamphlet, circular, form letter, advertisement, or other sales literature or advertising communication addressed or intended for distribution to prospective investors, unless the security is a federal covered security or the transaction relates to a federal covered security or the security or transaction is exempted by section 502.202 or 502.203. The administrator may by rule or order prohibit the publication, circulation or use of any advertising deemed false or misleading.

Sec. 16. Section 502.607, subsection 1, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

1. Pursuant to the-fowa-administrative-procedure-Act chapter 17A, the administrator may from time to time make, amend, and rescind such rules, forms, and orders as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter, including rules and forms governing registration statements, notice filings, applications, and reports, and defining any terms, whether or not used in this chapter, insofar as the definitions are not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter. For the purpose of rules and forms, the administrator may classify securities, persons, and other

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relevant matters, and prescribe different requirements for different classes.

Sec. 17. Section 502.608, subsections 2 and 3, Code 1997, are amended to read as follows:

- 2. The administrator shall keep a register of all applications for registration, notice filings, and registration statements which are or have been effective under this chapter and predecessor laws, and all censure, denial, suspension, or revocation orders which have been entered under this chapter and predecessor laws. The register shall be open for public inspection.
- 3. The information contained in or filed with any registration statement, application, notice filing, or report may be made available to the public under such rules as the administrator prescribes.

Sec. 18. Section 502.609, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

Every applicant for registration under this chapter, and every issuer which proposes to offer a security in this state, shall file with the administrator, in such form as the administrator by rule prescribes, an irrevocable consent appointing the administrator or the administrator's successor in office to be such person's attorney to receive service of any lawful process in any noncriminal suit, action or proceeding against such person or the successor, executor or administrator of such person which arises under this chapter or any rule or order hereunder after the consent has been filed, with the same validity as if served personally on the person filing the consent. The consent need not be filed by a person who has filed a consent in connection with a previous registration or notice filing which is then in effect. Service may be made by leaving a copy of the process in the office of the administrator, but it is not effective unless the plaintiff, including the administrator when acting as such,

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Sec. 19. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

RON J. CORBETT
Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 553, Seventy-seventh General Assembly.

ELIZABETH ISAACSON Chief Clerk of the House

Approved

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor