House Study Bill 652 - Introduced

HOUS	SE FILE
ВУ	(PROPOSED COMMITTEE
	ON COMMERCE BILL BY
	CHAIRPERSON LUNDGREN)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the reorganization of county and state
- 2 mutual insurance associations.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 515G.1, subsection 5, Code 2024, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 5. "Mutual insurer" means a domestic mutual property and
- 4 casualty insurance company organized and licensed under chapter
- 5 515, 518, or 518A.
- 6 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 518.4A Reorganization.
- 7 A county mutual insurance association may reorganize by
- 8 forming a mutual insurance holding company pursuant to section
- 9 521A.14, and the reorganized stock insurer shall continue to be
- 10 regulated pursuant to this chapter.
- 11 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 518A.1B Reorganization.
- 12 A state mutual insurance association may reorganize by
- 13 forming a mutual insurance holding company pursuant to section
- 14 521A.14, and the reorganized stock insurer shall continue to be
- 15 regulated pursuant to this chapter.
- 16 Sec. 4. Section 521A.14, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 17 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 18 a. A domestic mutual insurance company, including
- 19 but not limited to a county mutual insurance association
- 20 organized under chapter 518 or a state mutual insurance
- 21 association organized under chapter 518A, upon approval of the
- 22 commissioner, may reorganize by forming an insurance holding
- 23 company based upon a mutual plan and continuing the corporate
- 24 existence of the reorganizing insurance company as a stock
- 25 insurance company. The commissioner, after a public hearing
- 26 as provided in section 521A.3, subsection 4, paragraph "b", if
- 27 satisfied that the interests of the policyholders are properly
- 28 protected and that the plan of reorganization is fair and
- 29 equitable to the policyholders, may approve the proposed plan
- 30 of reorganization and may require as a condition of approval
- 31 such modifications of the proposed plan of reorganization
- 32 as the commissioner finds necessary for the protection of
- 33 the policyholders' interests. The commissioner may retain
- 34 consultants as provided in section 521A.3, subsection 4,
- 35 paragraph "d". A reorganization pursuant to this section

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- 1 is subject to section 521A.3, subsections 1, 2, and 3. The
- 2 commissioner shall retain jurisdiction over a mutual insurance
- 3 holding company organized pursuant to this section to assure
- 4 that policyholder interests are protected.
- 5 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 8 This bill relates to the reorganization of county and state
- 9 mutual insurance associations.
- 10 The bill expands the current definition of a mutual insurer
- 11 to include a domestic mutual property and casualty insurance
- 12 company organized and licensed under Code chapter 518 or Code
- 13 chapter 518A.
- 14 The bill authorizes a county mutual insurance association
- 15 or state mutual insurance association to reorganize by forming
- 16 a mutual insurance holding company pursuant to Code section
- 17 521A.14, and the reorganized stock insurer shall continue to be
- 18 regulated pursuant to Code chapter 518, or Code chapter 518A,
- 19 respectively.
- 20 The bill authorizes a county or state mutual insurance
- 21 association organized under Code chapter 518 or Code chapter
- 22 518A, in addition to a domestic mutual insurance company under
- 23 current law, to reorganize, upon approval of the commissioner,
- 24 by forming an insurance holding company pursuant to the
- 25 requirements of Code section 521A.14.