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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to insurance; amending s.
3	626.9913, F.S., relating to viatical settlement
4	providers; specifying a beginning date for
5	submission of a required annual statement;
6	specifying required information; specifying the
7	period of application of an unaudited financial
8	statement; specifying administrative action for
9	failing to timely file an audited financial
10	statement; amending ss. 626.99175, 627.836,
11	651.026, and 651.0261, F.S., relating to
12	viatical settlement providers, premium finance
13	companies, and continuing care providers;
14	authorizing the Financial Services Commission
15	to require by rule that certain statements or
16	filings be submitted by electronic means in a
17	certain format; amending s. 628.281, F.S.;
18	authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation
19	to require that certain records or copies be
20	submitted by remote electronic access;
21	providing an effective date.
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23	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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25	Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 626.9913, Florida
26	Statutes, is amended to read:
27	626.9913 Viatical settlement provider license
28	continuance; annual report; fees; deposit
29	(2) Annually, on or before March 1, the viatical
30	settlement provider licensee shall file a statement containing
31	information the commission requires and shall pay to the
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1	office a license fee in the amount of \$500. <u>After December 31,</u>
2	2007, the annual statement shall include audited financial
3	statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted
4	accounting principles by an independent certified public
5	accountant as of the last day of the preceding calendar year.
6	If the audited financial statement has not been completed,
7	however, the licensee shall include in its annual statement an
8	unaudited financial statement for the preceding calendar year
9	and an affidavit from an officer of the licensee stating that
10	the audit has not been completed. In this event, the licensee
11	shall submit the audited statement on or before June 1. The
12	annual statement <u>, due on or before March 1 each year,</u> shall
13	also provide the office with a report of all life expectancy
14	providers who have provided life expectancies directly or
15	indirectly to the viatical settlement provider for use in
16	connection with a viatical settlement contract or a viatical
17	settlement investment. A viatical settlement provider shall
18	include in all statements filed with the office all
19	information requested by the office regarding a related
20	provider trust established by the viatical settlement
21	provider. The office may require more frequent reporting.
22	Failure to timely file the annual statement or the audited
23	financial statement or to timely pay the license fee is
24	grounds for immediate suspension of the license. <u>The</u>
25	commission may by rule require all or part of the statements
26	or filings required under this section to be submitted by
27	electronic means in a computer-readable form compatible with
28	the electronic data format specified by the commission.
29	Section 2. Subsection (13) is added to section
30	626.99175, Florida Statutes, to read:
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626.99175 Life expectancy providers; registration 1 2 required; denial, suspension, revocation. --3 (13) The Financial Services Commission may, by rule, 4 require that all or part of the statements or filings required 5 under this section be submitted by electronic means and in a computer-readable format specified by the commission. б 7 Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 627.836, Florida 8 Statutes, is amended to read: 9 627.836 Licensee's books and records; reports.--(2) Each licensee shall annually, on or before March 10 1, file a report with the office giving such information as 11 the office may require. The report shall be made under oath 12 13 and in the form prescribed by the commission and shall be 14 accompanied by the annual report filing fee specified in s. 627.849. The office may make and publish annually an analysis 15 and recapitulation of such reports. In addition, the office 16 may require such additional regular or special reports as it 17 18 deems may deem necessary. The commission may by rule require all or part of the statements or filings required under this 19 section to be submitted by electronic means in a 20 computer-readable form compatible with the electronic data 21 22 format specified by the commission. 23 Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 24 628.281, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 628.281 Exceptions to requirement that office, 25 records, and assets be maintained in this state .--26 (1) The provisions of s. 628.271 shall not be deemed 27 28 to prohibit or prevent an insurer from: 29 (c) Establishing and maintaining its principal operations offices, its usual operations records, and such of 30 31 its assets as may be necessary or convenient for the purpose,

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1	in another state in which the insurer is authorized to
2	transact insurance in order that general administration of its
3	affairs may be combined with that of an affiliated insurer or
4	insurers, but subject to the following conditions:
5	1. That the office consent in writing to <u>the</u> such
6	removal of offices, records, and assets from this state upon
7	evidence satisfactory to it that the same will facilitate and
8	make more economical the operations of the insurer and will
9	not unreasonably diminish the service or protection thereafter
10	to be given the insurer's policyholders in this state and
11	elsewhere;
12	2. That the insurer will continue to maintain in this
13	state its principal corporate office or place of business, and
14	maintain therein available to the inspection of the office
15	complete records of its corporate proceedings and a copy of
16	each financial statement of the insurer current within the
17	preceding 5 years, including a copy of each interim financial
18	statement prepared for the information of the insurer's
19	officers or directors;
20	3. That, upon the written request of the office, the
21	insurer will with reasonable promptness provide the office
22	remote electronic access to or produce at its principal
23	corporate offices in this state for examination or for
24	subpoena its records or copies thereof relative to a
25	particular transaction or transactions of the insurer as
26	designated by the office in its request; and
27	4. That, if at any time the office finds that the
28	conditions justifying the maintenance of <u>the</u> such offices,
29	records, and assets outside this state no longer exist, or
30	that the insurer has willfully and knowingly violated any of
31	the conditions stated in subparagraphs 2. and 3., the office
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may order the return of the such offices, records, and assets 1 2 to this state within such reasonable time, not less than 6 months, as may be specified in the order; and that for failure 3 to comply with the such order, as thereafter modified or 4 extended, if any, the office shall suspend or revoke the 5 insurer's certificate of authority. б 7 Section 5. Subsection (9) is added to section 651.026, 8 Florida Statutes, to read: 9 651.026 Annual reports.--(9) The commission may by rule require all or part of 10 the statements or filings required under this section to be 11 submitted by electronic means in a computer-readable form 12 13 compatible with the electronic data format specified by the 14 commission. Section 6. Section 651.0261, Florida Statutes, is 15 amended to read: 16 651.0261 Quarterly statements.--If the office finds, 17 18 pursuant to rules of the commission, that such information is needed to properly monitor the financial condition of a 19 provider or facility or is otherwise needed to protect the 20 public interest, the office may require the provider to file, 21 within 45 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, a 2.2 23 quarterly unaudited financial statement of the provider or of 24 the facility in the form prescribed by the commission by rule. The commission may by rule require all or part of the 25 26 statements or filings required under this section to be submitted by electronic means in a computer-readable form 27 28 compatible with the electronic data format specified by the 29 commission. 30 Section 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 31 law.

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