GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

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(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

INSURERS/AGENTS: Provides relative to the licensing of insurance producers

DIGEST

Present law provides the following fees for insurance producer licenses:

Life, health, and accident producer; variable annuity producer
First time applicant
Additional or renewal company appointment (yearly) \$20.00
Producer renewal fee (every two years)\$50.00
Property and casualty producer
First time applicant
Additional or renewal company appointment (yearly) \$20.00
Producer renewal fee (every two years)\$50.00
Limited lines producer
First time applicant
Each additional line of authority
Additional or renewal company appointment (yearly) \$20.00
Renewal fee (every two years)\$50.00
Limited lines credit insurance producer
First time applicant
Additional or renewal company appointment (yearly) \$20.00
Renewal fee (every two years)\$50.00
Surplus lines broker
First time applicant
Renewal fee (every two years)\$350.00
Fee for failure to file producer license renewal timely (per license) \$50.00
Fee for duplicate producer license\$15.00

<u>Proposed law</u> retains the current fees for surplus lines producers and the fee for failure to timely file a producer license renewal.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates an "all other lines" category of insurance producers for the purpose of unifying the fee structure and renewal periods for the following insurance producer licenses: life, health, and annuities; property and casualty; limited lines; and limited lines credit insurance. <u>Proposed law</u> otherwise retains <u>present law</u> regarding the fee structure for producers in these categories.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the following fee structure for all other lines of producer licenses:

First time applicant	\$75.00
Application to add lines	\$50.00
Initial or renewal company appointment (yearly)	\$20.00
Producer renewal fee (every two years):	
One line	\$50.00
Two or more lines	\$55.00

<u>Present law</u> provides that a business entity acting as an insurance producer is required to obtain an insurance producer license and that any person who directly or indirectly controls 10% or more of such entity shall be registered with the Department of Insurance under such business entity's license.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> by limiting the requirement to register controlling persons to resident business entities. <u>Proposed law</u> adds a requirement for non-resident business entities to provide that information to the commissioner of insurance upon request.

Effective January 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 22:821(B)(3) and 1546(B)(1)(a))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Insurance</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Provides that the producer renewal fee for all other lines of insurance is \$55.00 for two or more lines.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

<u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs</u>
<u>to the engrossed bill</u>

1. Changes the effective date.