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A BILL

То	amend sections 1317.04, 1317.05, 1923.04,	1
	1923.14, 3905.30, 3905.33, 3905.423, 3905.426,	2
	3937.25, 3937.28, 3955.05, 3960.11, 3963.02, and	3
	5321.17, to enact sections 1.65, 3901.91,	4
	3905.332, 3937.47, 3965.01, 3965.02, 3965.03,	5
	3965.04, 3965.05, 3965.06, 3965.07, 3965.08,	6
	3965.09, 3965.10, and 3965.11, and to repeal	7
	section 3905.425 of the Revised Code to enact	8
	for the Revised Code a definition of the term	9
	"insurance rating agency"; to establish	10
	standards for data security and for the	11
	investigation of and notification to the	12
	Superintendent of Insurance of a cybersecurity	13
	event; regarding motor vehicle ancillary product	14
	protection contracts and motor vehicle service	15
	contracts; to authorize domestic surplus lines	16
	insurers; regarding cancellation of certain	17
	insurance policies; regarding the use of single	18
	interest insurance in retail installment sales	19
	contracts; regarding the regulatory authority of	20
	the Superintendent of Insurance; and to clarify	21
	how to calculate certain timelines under which a	22
	forcible entry and detainer action must occur.	23

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

Section 1. That sections 1317.04, 1317.05, 1923.04,	24
1923.14, 3905.30, 3905.33, 3905.423, 3905.426, 3937.25, 3937.28,	25
3955.05, 3960.11, 3963.02, and 5321.17 be amended and sections	26
1.65, 3901.91, 3905.332, 3937.47, 3965.01, 3965.02, 3965.03,	27
3965.04, 3965.05, 3965.06, 3965.07, 3965.08, 3965.09, 3965.10,	28
and 3965.11 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	29
Sec. 1.65. (A) As used in the Revised Code, "insurance	30
rating agency" means A.M. Best Rating Services, Inc., Demotech,	31
Inc., or a rating agency certified or approved by a national	32
entity that engages in an approval process that includes all of	33
the following:	34
(1) A requirement for the rating agency to register and	35
provide an annual updated filing;	36
(2) Record retention requirements;	37
(3) Financial reporting requirements;	38
(4) Policies for the prevention of misuse of material,	39
nonpublic information;	40
(5) Management of conflicts of interest, including	41
<pre>prohibited conflicts;</pre>	42
(6) Prohibited acts and practices;	43
(7) Disclosure requirements;	44
(8) Required policies, practices, and internal controls;	45
(9) Standards of training, experience, and competence for	46
credit analysts	47

(B) Any reference in the Revised Code to an entity named	48
in division (A) of this section shall be construed as a	49
reference to any insurance rating agency as defined in division	50
(A) of this section. Any reference in the Revised Code to a	51
specific entity not named in division (A) of this section but	52
otherwise meeting the definition of "insurance rating agency" in	53
division (A) of this section shall be construed as a reference	54
to an insurance rating agency as defined by division (A) of this	55
section.	56
Sec. 1317.04. The written instrument evidencing a retail	57
installment sale and required by section 1317.02 of the Revised	58
Code shall recite the following:	59
(A) The cash price of the specific goods.	60
(B) The amount in cash of the retail buyer's down payment,	61
if any, whether made in money or goods or partly in money or	62
partly in goods.	63
(C) The unpaid balance of the cash price payable by the	64
retail buyer to the retail seller which is the difference	65
between divisions (A) and (B).	66
(D) The cost to the retail buyer of amount included for	67
any insurance and the retail buyer has agreed to procure, if the	68
retail seller has agreed to purchase the insurance and extend-	69
credit to the retail buyer for the price thereof types of	70
insurance and terms of coverage.	71
(E) The principal balance owed on the retail installment	72
contract which is the sum total of divisions (C) and (D).	73
(F) The amount of the finance charge.	74
(G) The time balance or indebtedness owed by the retail	75

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buyer to the retail seller and the number of installment	76
payments required and the amount and date of each payment	77
necessary finally to pay the time balance which is the sum total	78
of divisions (E) and (F).	79

Divisions (D) and (F) may be added together and stated as one sum in the written instrument and if so stated division (E) may be omitted, but in such event the retail seller or his the retail seller's successor in interest shall, within twenty-five days after the making of the retail installment contract, deliver personally, send by mail, or cause to be sent by mail, to the retail buyer at his the retail buyer's address as shown on the retail installment contract, a statement reciting the separate amounts of divisions (D), (E), and (F). Division (F) may be stated as a rate, if said rate does not exceed eight per cent per annum straight interest, in which event the time balance provided in division (G) need not be stated.

The amount and date of each payment need not be separately 92 listed if the payments are specified in terms of a series of 93 payments of specified amounts, which amounts may state the 94 principal amount plus the finance charge in terms of a rate at 9.5 specified intervals of time from an initial date. 96

The initial date for the payment of the first installment may be a calendar date or may refer to the time of delivery or installation.

As used in this section "down payment" means that part of the payment of the cash price required by the retail seller as a condition to the delivery of the specific goods sold or to be sold or to the extension of credit to the retail buyer for any portion of the cash price.

Sec. 1317.05. (A) Any retail seller who, in any retail	105
installment contract, has agreed to purchase insurance for the	106
retail buyer and to extend credit for the price thereof,	107
excluding single interest insurance, shall, prior to the due	108
date of the first installment of the retail installment	109
contract, deliver to the retail buyer personally, or mail or	110
cause to be mailed to the retail buyer at the retail buyer's	111
address as shown on the retail installment contract, the policy	112
of insurance, or in lieu thereof a certificate of insurance, or	113
the retail buyer is not liable on the retail buyer's retail	114
installment contract until the policy, or certificate of	115
insurance, is received, or full refund is made of the insurance	116
premium.	117

If the premium for insurance of like kind and amount, as 118 fixed in the published manual of a recognized standard rating 119 bureau designated by the retail seller, is less than the amount 120 charged the retail buyer as fixed in the written instrument in 121 compliance with division (D) of section 1317.04 of the Revised 122 Code, the retail buyer may deduct an amount equal to three times 123 the difference from the amount owed the retail seller, or the 124 retail seller's successor in interest. Sections 1317.01 to 125 1317.11, inclusive, of the Revised Code do not impair the 126 authority of the superintendent of insurance to grant, renew, or 127 revoke licenses, nor do said sections authorize anyone other 128 than a licensee of the division of insurance to directly or 129 indirectly receive any part of the amount charged for insurance 130 in connection with any retail installment sale. 131

(B) As used in this division, "debt cancellation or debt 132 suspension product" means a contractual agreement in which a 133 retail seller, or its assignee, agrees for a separate charge to 134 cancel or waive all or a part of amounts due on a retail buyer's 135

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retail installment contract in the event of a total physical	136
damage loss or unrecovered theft of the motor vehicle that is	137
the subject of the contract. "Debt cancellation or debt	138
suspension product" includes a guaranteed asset protection	139
waiver, guaranteed auto protection waiver, or other similarly	140
named agreement.	141

A debt cancellation or debt suspension product, and an addendum to a retail installment contract containing a debt cancellation or debt suspension product, shall be considered a part of the retail installment contract and shall remain a part of that contract upon the assignment, sale, or transfer of that contract. The charge for any debt cancellation or debt suspension product shall be listed as a specific good. The purchase price and the terms of the debt cancellation or debt suspension product shall be disclosed in writing to the buyer. The extension of credit, terms of the credit, or the terms of the related motor vehicle sale or lease shall not be conditioned on the purchase of the debt cancellation or debt suspension product. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a debt cancellation or debt suspension product shall not be considered insurance.

(C) As used in this section, "single interest insurance"

means insurance that covers only the interest of the holder of

the retail installment contract. Single interest insurance shall

be listed as a specific good.

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Sec. 1923.04. (A) Except as provided in division (B) or 161

(C) of this section, a party desiring to commence an action 162

under this chapter shall notify the adverse party to leave the 163

premises, for the possession of which the action is about to be 164

brought, three or more days before beginning the action, by 165

certified mail, return receipt requested, or by handing a	166
written copy of the notice to the defendant in person, or by	167
leaving it at the defendant's usual place of abode or at the	168
premises from which the defendant is sought to be evicted. The	169
three-day period shall begin on the day immediately following	170
the day the notice is delivered and, notwithstanding section	171
1.14 of the Revised Code, shall count all intervening days	172
including Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.	173

Every notice given under this section by a landlord to

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recover residential premises shall contain the following

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language printed or written in a conspicuous manner: "You are

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being asked to leave the premises. If you do not leave, an

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eviction action may be initiated against you. If you are in

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doubt regarding your legal rights and obligations as a tenant,

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it is recommended that you seek legal assistance."

- (B) The service of notice pursuant to section 5313.06 of
 the Revised Code constitutes compliance with the notice
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 requirement of division (A) of this section. The service of the
 notice required by division (C) of section 5321.17 of the
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 Revised Code constitutes compliance with the notice requirement
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 of division (A) of this section.
- (C) If the adverse party in an action under this chapter
 is a deceased resident of a manufactured home park, the notice
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 required by division (A) of this section shall be left at the
 premises from which the defendant is sought to be evicted and
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 also shall be sent by ordinary mail to the following persons if
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 their names and addresses are known to the park operator:
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- (1) If a probate court has granted letters testamentary or

 of administration for the estate of the adverse party in

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 accordance with Title XXI of the Revised Code, the executor or

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administrator appointed by the probate court;	196
(2) The deceased resident's spouse and any other members	197
of the deceased resident's immediate family.	198
Sec. 1923.14. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this	199
section, within ten days after receiving a writ of execution	200
described in division (A) or (B) of section 1923.13 of the	201
Revised Code, the sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff	202
shall execute it by restoring the plaintiff to the possession of	203
the premises, and shall levy and collect reasonable costs, not	204
to exceed the standard motion fee, and make return, as upon	205
other executions. The ten-day period shall begin on the day	206
immediately following the day the writ is received by the	207
sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff and,	208
notwithstanding section 1.14 of the Revised Code, shall count	209
all intervening days including Saturdays, Sundays, and legal	210
holidays.	211
If an appeal from the judgment of restitution is filed and	212
if, following the filing of the appeal, a stay of execution is	213
obtained and any required bond is filed with the court of common	214
pleas, municipal court, or county court, the judge of that court	215
immediately shall issue an order to the sheriff, police officer,	216
constable, or bailiff commanding the delay of all further	217
proceedings upon the execution. If the premises have been	218
restored to the plaintiff, the sheriff, police officer,	219
constable, or bailiff shall forthwith place the defendant in	220
possession of them, and return the writ with the sheriff's,	221
police officer's, constable's, or bailiff's proceedings and the	222
costs taxed on it.	223
(B)(1) After a municipal court or county court issues a	224

writ of execution described in division (B) of section 1923.13

of the Revised Code, the clerk of the court shall send by	226
regular mail, to the last known address of each person other	227
than the titled owner of the manufactured home, mobile home, or	228
recreational vehicle that is the subject of the writ who is	229
listed on the writ as having any outstanding right, title, or	230
interest in the home, vehicle, or personal property and to the	231
auditor and treasurer of the county in which the court is	232
located, a written notice that the home or vehicle potentially	233
may be sold, destroyed, or have its title transferred under the	234
circumstances described in division (B)(3) or (4) of this	235
section. A person having any outstanding right, title, or	236
interest in the home, vehicle, or personal property is not	237
required to consent to the notice required under this division	238
in order for the writ to be executed.	239

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this division, after 240 causing the defendant to be removed from the residential 2.41 premises of the manufactured home park, if necessary, by writ of 242 restitution, and receiving a writ of execution described in 243 division (B) of section 1923.13 of the Revised Code, in 244 accordance with the writ, the sheriff, police officer, 245 constable, or bailiff may cause the manufactured home, mobile 246 home, or recreational vehicle that is the subject of the writ, 247 and all personal property on the residential premises, to be 248 retained at their current location on the residential premises, 249 until they are claimed by the defendant or they are disposed of 250 in a manner authorized by division (B)(3), (4), or (6) of this 251 section or by another section of the Revised Code. 252

The park operator shall not be liable for any damage 253 caused by the park operator's removal of the manufactured home, 254 mobile home, or recreational vehicle or the removal of the 255 personal property from the residential premises, or for any 256

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damage to the home, vehicle, or personal property during the	257
time the home, vehicle, or property remains abandoned or stored	258
in the manufactured home park, unless the damage is the result	259
of acts that the park operator or the park operator's agents or	260
employees performed with malicious purpose, in bad faith, or in	261
a wanton or reckless manner. The reasonable costs for a removal	262
of the manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle	263
and personal property and, as applicable, the reasonable costs	264
for its storage shall constitute a lien upon the home or vehicle	265
payable by the titled owner of the home or vehicle or payable	266
pursuant to division (B)(3) of this section to the park	267
operator.	268

The sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff shall not be liable for any damage caused by the park operator's removal of the manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle or the removal of the personal property from the residential premises, or for any damage to the home, vehicle, or personal property during the time the home, vehicle, or property remains abandoned or stored in the manufactured home park.

(3) Except as provided in divisions (B)(4), (5), and (6) 276 of this section and division (D) of section 1923.12 of the 277 Revised Code, within sixty days after receiving a writ of 278 execution described in division (B) of section 1923.13 of the 279 Revised Code for a manufactured home, mobile home, or 280 recreational vehicle, determined to have a value of more than 281 three thousand dollars, the sheriff, police officer, constable, 282 or bailiff shall commence proceedings for the sale of the 283 manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle that is 284 the subject of the writ, and the abandoned personal property on 285 the residential premises, if the home or vehicle is determined 286 to be abandoned in accordance with the procedures for the sale 287

of goods on execution under Chapter 2329. of the Revised Code.	288
In addition to all notices required to be given under section	289
2329.13 of the Revised Code, the sheriff, police officer,	290
constable, or bailiff shall serve at their respective last known	291
addresses a written notice of the date, time, and place of the	292
sale upon all persons who are listed on the writ of execution as	293
having any outstanding right, title, or interest in the	294
abandoned manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational	295
vehicle and the personal property and shall provide written	296
notice to the auditor and the treasurer of the county in which	297
the court issuing the writ is located.	298

Unless the proceedings are governed by division (D) of 299 section 1923.12 of the Revised Code, notwithstanding any 300 statutory provision to the contrary, including, but not limited 301 to, section 2329.66 of the Revised Code, there shall be no stay 302 of execution or exemption from levy or sale on execution 303 available to the titled owner of the abandoned manufactured 304 home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle in relation to a sale 305 under this division. Except as otherwise provided in sections 306 2113.031, 2117.25, and 5162.21 of the Revised Code in a case 307 involving a deceased resident or resident's estate, the sheriff, 308 police officer, constable, or bailiff shall distribute the 309 proceeds from the sale of an abandoned manufactured home, mobile 310 home, or recreational vehicle and any personal property under 311 this division in the following manner: 312

(a) The sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff

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shall first pay the costs for any moving of and any storage

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outside the manufactured home park of the home or vehicle and

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any personal property pursuant to division (B)(2) of this

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section, the costs of the sale, any advertising expenses paid by

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the park operator for the sale of the manufactured home, mobile

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home, or recreational vehicle under division (B)(3) of this	319
section, and any unpaid court costs assessed against the	320
defendant in the underlying action.	321
(b) Following the payment required by division (B)(3)(a)	322
of this section, the sheriff, police officer, constable, or	323
bailiff shall pay all outstanding tax liens on the home or	324
vehicle.	325
(c) Following the payment required by division (B)(3)(b)	326
of this section, the sheriff, police officer, constable, or	327
bailiff shall pay all other outstanding security interests,	328
liens, or encumbrances on the home or vehicle by priority of	329
filing or other priority.	330
(d) Following the payment required by division (B)(3)(c)	331
of this section, the sheriff, police officer, constable, or	332
bailiff shall pay any outstanding monetary judgment rendered	333
under section 1923.09 or 1923.11 of the Revised Code in favor of	334
the plaintiff and any costs associated with retaining the home	335
or vehicle prior to the sale at its location on the residential	336
premises within the manufactured home park pursuant to division	337
(B)(2) of this section.	338
(e) After complying with divisions (B)(3)(a) to (d) of	339
this section, the sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff	340
shall report any remaining money as unclaimed funds pursuant to	341
Chapter 169. of the Revised Code.	342
Upon the return of any writ of execution for the	343
satisfaction of which an abandoned manufactured home, mobile	344
home, or recreational vehicle has been sold under this division,	345
on careful examination of the proceedings of the sheriff, police	346
officer, constable, or bailiff conducting the sale, if the court	347

that issued the writ finds that the sale was made, in all	348
respects, in conformity with this division, the court shall	349
direct the clerk of the court to make an entry on the journal	350
that the court is satisfied with the legality of the sale and	351
order the clerk of the court of common pleas title division to	352
issue a certificate of title, free and clear of all security	353
interests, liens, and encumbrances, to the purchaser of the home	354
or vehicle. If the manufactured home, mobile home, or	355
recreational vehicle sold under this division is located in a	356
manufactured home park, the purchaser of the home or vehicle	357
shall have no right to maintain the home or vehicle in the	358
manufactured home park without the park operator's consent and	359
the sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff conducting	360
the sale shall notify all prospective purchasers of this fact	361
prior to the commencement of the sale.	362

If, after it is offered for sale on two occasions under 363 this division, the abandoned manufactured home, mobile home, or 364 recreational vehicle cannot be sold due to a want of bidders, 365 the sheriff, police officer, constable, or bailiff shall present 366 the writ of execution unsatisfied to the clerk of the court of 367 common pleas title division, of the county in which the writ was 368 issued for the issuance by the clerk in the manner prescribed in 369 section 4505.10 of the Revised Code of a certificate of title 370 transferring the title of the home or vehicle to the plaintiff, 371 free and clear of all security interests, liens, and 372 encumbrances. If any taxes are owed on the home or vehicle at 373 this time, the county auditor shall remove the delinquent taxes 374 from the manufactured home tax list and the delinquent 375 manufactured home tax list and remit any penalties for late 376 payment of manufactured home taxes. Acceptance of the 377 certificate of title by the plaintiff terminates all further 378 proceedings under this section. In accordance with division (E) 379 (3) of section 4503.061 of the Revised Code, the plaintiff shall 380 notify the county auditor of the transfer of title. Pursuant to 381 section 4503.061 of the Revised Code, if the manufactured home, 382 mobile home, or recreational vehicle is destroyed or removed, 383 the plaintiff shall provide the county auditor with notice of 384 removal or destruction of the manufactured home, mobile home, or 385 recreational vehicle. 386

(4) Except as provided in division (B)(5) or (6) of this 387 section and division (D) of section 1923.12 of the Revised Code, 388 within thirty days after receiving a writ of execution described 389 in division (B) of section 1923.13 of the Revised Code, if the 390 manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle is 391 determined to be abandoned and to have a value of three thousand 392 dollars or less, the sheriff, police officer, constable, or 393 bailiff shall present the writ of execution to the clerk of the 394 court of common pleas title division, of the county in which the 395 writ was issued for the issuance by the clerk in the manner 396 prescribed in section 4505.10 of the Revised Code of a 397 certificate of title transferring the title of the home or 398 vehicle to the plaintiff, free and clear of all security 399 interests, liens, and encumbrances. If any taxes are owed on the 400 home or vehicle at this time, the county auditor shall remove 401 the delinquent taxes from the manufactured home tax list and the 402 delinquent manufactured home tax list and remit any penalties 403 for late payment of manufactured home taxes. Acceptance of the 404 certificate of title by the plaintiff terminates all further 405 proceedings under this section. In accordance with division (E) 406 (3) of section 4503.061 of the Revised Code, the plaintiff shall 407 notify the county auditor of the transfer of title. Pursuant to 408 section 4503.0611 of the Revised Code, if the manufactured home, 409

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mobile home, or recreational vehicle is destroyed or removed,	410
the plaintiff shall provide the county auditor with notice of	411
removal or destruction of the manufactured home, mobile home, or	412
recreational vehicle.	413
(5) At any time prior to the issuance of the writ of	414
execution described in division (B) of section 1923.13 of the	415
Revised Code, the titled owner of the manufactured home, mobile	416
home, or recreational vehicle that would be the subject of the	417
writ may remove the abandoned home or vehicle from the	418
manufactured home park upon payment to the county auditor of all	419
outstanding tax liens on the home or vehicle and, unless the	420
owner is indigent, payment to the clerk of court of all unpaid	421
court costs assessed against the defendant in the underlying	422
action. After the issuance of the writ of execution, the titled	423
owner of the home or vehicle may remove the abandoned home or	424
vehicle from the manufactured home park at any time up to the	425
day before the scheduled sale, destruction, or transfer of the	426
home or vehicle pursuant to division (B)(3) or (4) of this	427
section upon payment of all of the following:	428
(a) All costs incurred by the sheriff, police officer,	429
constable, or bailiff;	430
(b) All outstanding tax liens on the home or vehicle;	431
(c) Unless the owner is indigent, all unpaid court costs	432
assessed against the defendant in the underlying action.	433
(6) At any time after the issuance of the writ of	434
execution described in division (B) of section 1923.13 of the	435
Revised Code, the holder of any outstanding lien, right, title,	436

or interest in the manufactured home, mobile home, or

recreational vehicle, other than the titled owner of the home or

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an "insurance rating agency" as defined by section 1.65 of the	468
Revised Code, the superintendent shall give consideration to the	469
inclusion in the rule of the definition of "insurance rating	470
agency" found in section 1.65 of the Revised Code.	471
Sec. 3905.30. (A) As used in sections 3905.30 to 3905.38	472
of the Revised Code:	473
(1) Notwithstanding section 3905.01 of the Revised Code,	474
"home state" means the state in which an insured maintains its	475
principal place of business or, in the case of an individual,	476
the individual's principal residence except in the case of	477
either of the following:	478
(a) If one hundred per cent of the insured risk is located	479
out of the state in which an insured maintains its principal	480
place of business or principal residence as described in	481
division (A)(1)(a) of this section, "home state" means the state	482
to which the greatest percentage of the insured's taxable	483
premium for that insurance contract is allocated.	484
(b) If more than one insured from an affiliated group are	485
named insureds on a single unauthorized insurance contract,	486
"home state" means the state in which the member of the	487
affiliated group that has the largest percentage of premium	488
attributed to it under such insurance contract.	489
(2) "Principal place of business" means the state where	490
the insured maintains the insured's headquarters and where the	491
insured's high-level officers direct, control, and coordinate	492
the business activities of the insured.	493
(B) The superintendent of insurance may issue a surplus	494
lines broker's license to any natural person who is a resident	495
of this or any other state or to a business entity that is	496

organized under the laws of this or any other state. To be	497
eligible for a resident surplus lines broker's license, a person	498
must have both a property license and a casualty license. To be	499
eligible for a nonresident surplus lines broker's license, a	500
person must hold an active surplus lines broker license in the	501
person's home state. A nonresident surplus lines broker shall	502
obtain a nonresident license with a property and casualty line	503
of authority in this state if the broker is or will be	504
personally performing the due diligence requirements under	505
section 3905.33 of the Revised Code.	506
(C) (1) A surplus lines broker's license permits the person	507
named in the license to negotiate for and obtain insurance,	508
other than life insurance, on property or persons in this state	509
from insurers both of the following:	510
(a) Insurers not authorized to transact business in this	511
state <u>;</u>	512
(b) An insurer designated as a domestic surplus lines	513
insurer pursuant to section 3905.332 of the Revised Code.	514
(2) Each such license expires on the thirty-first day of	515
January next after the year in which it is issued, and may be	516
then renewed.	517
Sec. 3905.33. (A) No person licensed under section 3905.30	518
of the Revised Code shall solicit, procure an application for,	519
bind, issue, renew, or deliver a policy with any insurer that is	520
not eligible to write insurance on an unauthorized basis in this	521
state.	522
Pursuant to the "Nonadmitted and Reinsurance Reform Act of	523
2010," 15 U.S.C. 8201 et seq., 124 Stat. 1589, or any successor	524

or replacement law, where this state is the home state of the

insured, an insurer shall be considered eligible to write	526
insurance on an unauthorized basis in this state if either any	527
of the following are true:	528
(1) The insurer meets the requirements and criteria in	529
sections $5A(2)$ and $5C(2)(a)$ of the nonadmitted insurance model	530
act adopted by the national association of insurance	531
commissioners, or alternative nationwide uniform eligibility	532
requirements adopted by this state through participation in a	533
compact or other nationwide system pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 8201 et	534
seq., 124 Stat. 1589.	535
(2) For unauthorized insurance placed with, or procured	536
from an unauthorized insurer domiciled outside the United	537
States, the insurer is listed on the quarterly listing of alien	538
insurers maintained by the international insurers department of	539
the national association of insurance commissioners.	540
(3) The insurer has been designated as a domestic surplus	541
lines insurer pursuant to section 3905.332 of the Revised Code.	542
(B)(1) No surplus lines broker shall solicit, procure,	543
place, or renew any insurance with an unauthorized insurer	544
unless an agent or the surplus lines broker has complied with	545
the due diligence requirements of this section and is unable to	546
procure the requested insurance from an authorized insurer.	547
Due diligence requires an agent to contact at least five	548
of the authorized insurers the agent represents, or as many	549
insurers as the agent represents, that customarily write the	550
kind of insurance required by the insured. Due diligence is	551
presumed if declinations are received from each authorized	552
insurer contacted. If any authorized insurer fails to respond	553
within ten days after the initial contact, the agent may assume	554

the insurer has declined to accept the risk.	555
(2) Due diligence shall only be performed by an agent	556
licensed in this state that holds an active property and	557
casualty insurance agent license.	558
(3) An insurance agent or surplus lines broker is exempt	559
from the due diligence requirements of this section if the agent	560
or surplus lines broker is procuring insurance from a risk	561
purchasing group or risk retention group as provided in Chapter	562
3960. of the Revised Code.	563
(4) An insurance agent or surplus lines broker is exempt	564
from the due diligence requirements of this section if the agent	565
or surplus lines broker is seeking to procure or place	566
unauthorized insurance for a person that qualifies as an exempt	567
commercial purchaser under section 3905.331 of the Revised Code	568
and both of the following are true:	569
(a) The surplus lines broker procuring or placing the	570
surplus lines insurance has disclosed to the exempt commercial	571
purchaser that the insurance may or may not be available from	572
the authorized market that may provide greater protection with	573
more regulatory oversight.	574
(b) After receipt of the disclosure required under	575
division (B)(4)(a) of this section, the exempt commercial	576
purchaser has requested in writing that the insurance agent or	577
broker procure or place the insurance from an unauthorized	578
insurer.	579
(C) Except when exempt from due diligence requirements	580
under division (B) of this section, an insurance agent who	581
procures or places insurance through a surplus lines broker	582
shall obtain a signed statement from the insured acknowledging	583

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that the insurance policy is to be placed with a company or	584
insurer not authorized to do business in this state and	585
acknowledging that, in the event of the insolvency of the	586
insurer, the insured is not entitled to any benefits or proceeds	587
from the Ohio insurance guaranty association. The statement must	588
oe on a form prescribed by the superintendent and need not be	589
notarized. The agent shall submit the original signed statement	590
to the surplus lines broker within thirty days after the	591
effective date of the policy. If no other agent is involved, the	592
surplus lines broker shall obtain the statement from the	593
insured.	594

The surplus lines broker shall maintain the original signed statement or a copy of the statement, and the originating agent shall keep a copy of the statement, for at least five years after the effective date of the policy to which the statement pertains. A copy of the signed statement shall be given to the insured at the time the insurance is bound or a policy is delivered.

(D) For the purpose of carrying out the "Nonadmitted and 602 Reinsurance Reform Act of 2010," 124 Stat. 1589, 15 U.S.C. 8201 603 et seq., or any successor or replacement law, the superintendent 604 shall conduct a fiscal analysis of the impact of entering into a 605 multistate agreement or compact for determining eligibility for 606 placement of unauthorized insurance and for payment, reporting, 607 collection, and allocation of the tax on unauthorized insurance. 608 If the fiscal analysis indicates that entering into a multistate 609 agreement or compact is advantageous to this state, the 610 superintendent may enter into the surplus lines insurance 611 multistate compliance compact adopted by the national conference 612 of insurance legislators and known as "SLIMPACT," as amended on 613 December 21, 2010, and including any subsequent amendment; or, 614

if it is in this state's financial best interest, the	615
superintendent shall request that the general assembly authorize	616
the superintendent to enter into a different multistate	617
agreement or compact.	618
(E) The superintendent may adopt rules in accordance with	619
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to carry out the purposes of	620
sections 3905.30 to 3905.38 of the Revised Code.	621
Sec. 3905.332. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of	622
the Revised Code, a domestic insurer may be designated a	623
domestic surplus lines insurer pursuant to this section.	624
(B) A domestic insurer shall not be designated a domestic	625
surplus lines insurer unless all of the following are met:	626
(1) The domestic insurer possesses minimum capital and	627
surplus of at least fifteen million dollars.	628
(2) The domestic insurer is seeking to become a domestic	629
surplus lines insurer pursuant to a resolution adopted by its	630
board of directors.	631
(3) The superintendent of insurance has authorized the	632
designation of the insurer as a domestic surplus lines insurer	633
in writing.	634
(C) A domestic surplus lines insurer shall be considered	635
an unauthorized insurer for the purposes of writing surplus	636
lines insurance coverage pursuant to the requirements of this	637
<pre>chapter.</pre>	638
(D) (1) A domestic surplus lines insurer shall only write	639
surplus lines insurance in this state in accordance with the	640
requirements of this chapter.	641
(2) A domestic surplus lines insurer may write surplus	642

lines insurance in any other jurisdiction in which the insurer	643
is eligible to write surplus lines insurance, provided that the	644
domestic surplus lines insurer complies with any requirements of	645
that jurisdiction.	646
(E) A domestic surplus lines insurer shall not engage in	647
the business of insurance in this state on an admitted basis.	648
(F) Surplus lines insurance written by a domestic surplus	649
lines insurer is subject to the tax on premiums as required in	650
section 3905.36 of the Revised Code and is exempt from the tax	651
on premiums required in section 5725.18 of the Revised Code.	652
(G) A domestic surplus lines insurer shall be considered a	653
nonadmitted insurer as defined in 15 U.S.C. 8206 with respect to	654
surplus lines insurance issued in this state.	655
(H) Surplus lines insurance policies issued in this state	656
by a domestic surplus lines insurer are not subject to the	657
provisions of Chapter 3955. of the Revised Code nor are they	658
subject to the protection of either Ohio insurance guaranty	659
association account established pursuant to section 3955.06 of	660
the Revised Code.	661
(I) Surplus lines insurance policies issued in this state	662
by a domestic surplus lines insurer are not subject to and are	663
exempt, in the same manner and to the same extent as surplus	664
lines insurance policies issued by an insurer domiciled in	665
another state, from all statutory requirements relating to all	666
of the following:	667
(1) Insurance rating and rating plans;	668
(2) Policy forms;	669
(3) Policy cancellation and renewal	670

(J) Unless otherwise specified in this section or	671
specifically exempted under this chapter, a domestic surplus	672
lines insurer shall be subject to all financial, reserve, and	673
solvency requirements under this title that are imposed on	674
domestic admitted insurers, as applicable.	675
Sec. 3905.423. (A) As used in this section:	676
(1) "Consumer" has the same meaning as in section 1345.01	677
of the Revised Code.	678
(2) "Consumer goods" means goods sold, leased, assigned,	679
awarded by chance, or transferred to a consumer in a consumer	680
transaction.	681
(3) "Consumer goods service contract" means a contract or	682
agreement to perform or pay for repairs, replacement, or	683
maintenance of consumer goods due to a defect in materials or	684
workmanship, normal wear and tear, power surges, or accidental	685
damage from handling, that is effective for a specified duration	686
and paid for by means other than the purchase of the consumer	687
goods. "Consumer goods service contract" does not include any of	688
the following:	689
(a) A <u>motor vehicle service</u> contract or agreement to	690
perform or pay for the repair, replacement, or maintenance of a	691
motor vehicle or utility vehicle, as defined in section 4501.01	692
3905.426 of the Revised Code, due to a defect in materials or	693
workmanship, normal wear and tear, mechanical or electrical	694
breakdown, or failure of parts or equipment of a motor vehicle	695
that is effective for a specified duration and paid for by means	696
other than the purchase of a motor vehicle or utility vehicle;	697
(b) A vehicle protection product as defined in section	698
3905.421 of the Revised Code;	699

<pre>(c) A home service contract as defined in section 3905.422 of the Revised Code;</pre>	700 701
(d) A motor vehicle tire or wheel road hazard contract as defined in section 3905.425 of the Revised Code;	702 703
(e)—A motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract as defined in section 3905.426 of the Revised Code;	704 705
(e) A contract for prepaid routine, scheduled maintenance only.	706 707
(4) "Consumer transaction" has the same meaning as in section 1345.01 of the Revised Code.	708 709
(5) "Contract holder" means the consumer who purchased goods covered by a consumer goods service contract, any authorized transferee or assignee of the consumer, or any other person assuming the consumer's rights under the consumer goods service contract.	710 711 712 713 714
(6) "Provider" means a person who is contractually obligated to a contract holder under the terms of a consumer goods service contract.	715 716 717
(7) "Reimbursement insurance policy" means a policy of insurance issued by an insurer authorized or eligible to do business in this state to a provider to pay, on behalf of the	718 719 720
provider in the event of the provider's nonperformance, all covered contractual obligations incurred by the provider under the terms and conditions of the consumer goods service contract.	721 722 723
(8) "Supplier" has the same meaning as in section 1345.01 of the Revised Code.	724 725
(B) All consumer goods service contracts issued in this state that provide for the performance of or payment for	726 727

repairs, replacement, or maintenance of consumer goods due to	728
power surges or accidental damage from handling shall be covered	729
by a reimbursement insurance policy.	730
(C) A consumer goods service contract issued by a provider	731
that is required to be covered by a reimbursement insurance	732
policy under division (B) of this section shall conspicuously	733
state all of the following:	734
(1) That the obligations of the provider are guaranteed	735
under a reimbursement insurance policy;	736
(2) That if a provider fails to perform or make payment	737
due under the terms of the contract within sixty days after the	738
contract holder requests performance or payment pursuant to the	739
terms of the contract, the contract holder may request	740
performance or payment directly from the provider's	741
reimbursement insurance policy insurer, including, but not	742
limited to, any obligation in the contract by which the provider	743
must refund the contract holder upon cancellation of a contract;	744
(3) The name, address, and telephone number of the	745
provider's reimbursement insurance policy insurer.	746
(D) A reimbursement insurance policy that is required to	747
be issued under this section shall contain:	748
(1) A statement that if a provider fails to perform or	749
make payment due under the terms of the consumer goods service	750
contract within sixty days after the contract holder requests	751
performance or payment pursuant to the terms of the contract,	752
the contract holder may request performance or payment directly	753
from the provider's reimbursement insurance policy insurer,	754
including, but not limited to, any obligation in the contract by	755
which the provider must refund the contract holder upon	756

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cancellation of a contract; 757 (2) A statement that in the event of cancellation of the 758 provider's reimbursement insurance policy, insurance coverage 759 will continue for all contract holders whose consumer goods 760 service contracts were issued by the provider and reported to 761 the insurer for coverage during the term of the reimbursement 762 763 insurance policy. 764 (E) The sale or issuance of a consumer goods service contract is a consumer transaction for purposes of sections 765 1345.01 to 1345.13 of the Revised Code. The provider is the 766 supplier and the contract holder is the consumer for purposes of 767 those sections. 768 (F) Unless issued by an insurer authorized or eligible to 769 do business in this state, a consumer goods service contract 770 does not constitute a contract substantially amounting to 771 insurance, or the contract's issuance the business of insurance, 772 under section 3905.42 of the Revised Code. 773 (G) The rights of a contract holder against a provider's 774 reimbursement insurance policy insurer as provided in this 775 776 section apply only in regard to a reimbursement insurance policy issued under this section. This section does not create any 777 778 contractual rights in favor of a person that does not qualify as an insured under any other type of insurance policy described in 779 Title XXXIX of the Revised Code. 780 Sec. 3905.426. (A) As used in this section: 781 (1) "Contract holder" means the person who purchased a 782

motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract, any

authorized transferee or assignee of the purchaser, or any other

person assuming the purchaser's rights under the motor vehicle

ancillary product protection contract.	786
(2) "Motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in section	787
4501.01 of the Revised Code and also includes utility vehicles	788
as defined in that section.	789
(3)(a) "Motor vehicle ancillary product protection	790
contract" means a contract or agreement that is effective for a	791
specified duration and paid for by means other than the purchase	792
of a motor vehicle, or its parts or equipment, to perform any	793
one or more of the following services:	794
(i) Repair or replacement of glass on a motor vehicle	795
necessitated by wear and tear or damage caused by a road hazard;	796
(ii) Removal of a dent, ding, or crease without affecting	797
the existing paint finish using paintless dent removal	798
techniques but which expressly excludes replacement of vehicle	799
body panels, sanding, bonding, or painting;	800
(iii) Repair to the interior components of a motor vehicle	801
necessitated by wear and tear but which expressly excludes	802
replacement of any part or component of a motor vehicle's	803
interior;	804
(iv) Repair or replacement of tires or wheels damaged	805
because of a road hazard;	806
(v) Replacement of a lost, stolen, or inoperable key or	807
key fob.	808
(b) A motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract	809
may, but is not required to, provide for incidental payment of	810
indemnity under limited circumstances, including, without	811
limitation, towing, rental, and emergency road services.	812
(c) "Motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract"	813

does not include any of the following:	814
(i) A motor vehicle service contract or agreement to	815
perform or pay for the repair, replacement, or maintenance of a-	816
motor vehicle due to defect in materials or workmanship, normal-	817
wear and tear, mechanical or electrical breakdown, or failure of	818
parts or equipment of a motor vehicle that is effective for a	819
specified duration and paid for by means other than the purchase	820
of a motor vehicle;	821
(ii) A vehicle protection product warranty as defined in	822
section 3905.421 of the Revised Code;	823
(iii) A home service contract as defined in section	824
3905.422 of the Revised Code;	825
(iv) A consumer goods service contract as defined in	826
section 3905.423 of the Revised Code;	827
(v) A-motor vehicle tire or wheel road hazard-contract as-	828
defined in section 3905.425 of the Revised Code for prepaid	829
routine, scheduled maintenance only.	830
(4) "Motor vehicle service contract" means a contract or	831
agreement to perform or pay for the repair, replacement, or	832
maintenance of a motor vehicle due to defect in materials or	833
workmanship, normal wear and tear, mechanical or electrical	834
breakdown, or failure of parts or equipment of a motor vehicle,	835
with or without additional provisions for incidental payment of	836
indemnity under limited circumstances, including, without	837
limitation, towing, rental, and emergency road services, that is	838
effective for a specified duration and paid for by means other	839
than the purchase of a motor vehicle.	840
(5) "Provider" means a person who is contractually	841
obligated to a contract holder under the terms of a motor	842

vehicle ancillary product protection contract.	843
(5)(6) "Road hazard" means a condition that may cause	844
damage or wear and tear to a tire or wheel on a public or	845
private roadway, roadside, driveway, or parking lot or garage,	846
including potholes, nails, glass, road debris, and curbs. "Road	847
hazard" does not include fire, theft, vandalism or malicious	848
mischief, or other perils normally covered by automobile	849
physical damage insurance.	850
(7) "Reimbursement insurance policy" means a policy of	851
insurance issued by an insurer authorized or eligible to do	852
business in this state to a provider to pay, on behalf of the	853
provider in the event of the provider's nonperformance, all	854
covered contractual obligations incurred by the provider under	855
the terms and conditions of the motor vehicle ancillary product	856
protection contract.	857
(6) (8) "Supplier" has the same meaning as in section	858
1345.01 of the Revised Code.	859
(B) All motor vehicle ancillary product protection	860
contracts issued in this state shall be covered by a	861
reimbursement insurance policy.	862
(C) A motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract	863
issued by a provider that is required to be covered by a	864
reimbursement insurance policy under division (B) of this	865
section shall conspicuously state all of the following:	866
(1) "This contract is not insurance and is not subject to	867
the insurance laws of this state."	868
(2) That the obligations of the provider are guaranteed	869
under a reimbursement insurance policy;	870

(3) That if a provider fails to perform or make payment	871
due under the terms of the contract within sixty days after the	872
contract holder requests performance or payment pursuant to the	873
terms of the contract, the contract holder may request	874
performance or payment directly from the provider's	875
reimbursement insurance policy insurer, including any obligation	876
in the contract by which the provider must refund the contract	877
holder upon cancellation of a contract;	878
(4) The name, address, and telephone number of the	879
provider's reimbursement insurance policy insurer.	880
(D) A motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract	881
that includes repair or replacement of glass on a motor vehicle	882
as provided in division (A)(3)(a)(i) of this section, shall	883
conspicuously state: "This contract may provide a duplication of	884
coverage already provided by your automobile physical damage	885
insurance policy."	886
(E) A reimbursement insurance policy that is required to	887
be issued under this section shall contain:	888
(1) A statement that if a provider fails to perform or	889
make payment due under the terms of the motor vehicle ancillary	890
product protection contract within sixty days after the contract	891
holder requests performance or payment pursuant to the terms of	892
the contract, the contract holder may request performance or	893
payment directly from the provider's reimbursement insurance	894
policy insurer, including any obligation in the contract by	895
which the provider must refund the contract holder upon	896
cancellation of a contract.	897
(2) A statement that in the event of cancellation of the	898

provider's reimbursement insurance policy, insurance coverage

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will continue for all contract holders whose motor vehicle	900
ancillary product protection contracts were issued by the	901
provider and reported to the insurer for coverage during the	902
term of the reimbursement insurance policy.	903
(F) The sale or issuance of a motor vehicle ancillary	904

- (F) The sale or issuance of a motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract is a consumer transaction for purposes of sections 1345.01 to 1345.13 of the Revised Code. The provider is the supplier and the contract holder is the consumer for purposes of those sections.
- (G) Unless issued by an insurer authorized or eligible to do business in this state, a motor vehicle ancillary product protection contract does not constitute a contract substantially amounting to insurance, or the contract's issuance the business of insurance, under section 3905.42 of the Revised Code.
- (H) Unless issued by an insurer authorized or eligible to
 do business in this state, a contract identified in division (A)

 (3) (c) (i) or (v) of this section does not constitute a contract
 substantially amounting to insurance, or the contract's issuance
 the business of insurance, under section 3905.42 of the Revised

 Code.
- (I) The rights of a contract holder against a provider's 920 reimbursement insurance policy insurer as provided in this 921 section apply only in regard to a reimbursement insurance policy 922 issued under this section. This section does not create any 923 contractual rights in favor of a person that does not qualify as 924 an insured under any other type of insurance policy described in 925 Title XXXIX of the Revised Code. This section does not prohibit 926 the insurer of a provider's reimbursement insurance policy from 927 assuming liability for contracts issued prior to the effective 928 date of the policy or this statute July 1, 2009. 929

(J) A contract or agreement described in division (A) (3)	930
(a) (iv) of this section in which the provider is a tire	931
manufacturer shall be exempt from the requirements of division	932
(B) of this section if the contract or agreement conspicuously	933
states all of the following:	934
(1) That the contract or agreement is not an insurance	935
<pre>contract;</pre>	936
(2) That any covered obligations or claims under the	937
contract or agreement are the responsibility of the provider;	938
(3) The name, address, and telephone number of any	939
administrator responsible for the administration of the contract	940
or agreement, the provider obligated to perform under the	941
<pre>contract or agreement, and the contract seller;</pre>	942
(4) The procedure for making a claim under the contract or	943
agreement, including a toll-free telephone number for claims	944
service and a procedure for obtaining emergency repairs or	945
replacements performed outside normal business hours.	946
Sec. 3937.25. (A) As used in sections 3937.25 to 3937.29	947
of the Revised Code, "medical malpractice insurance" means	948
insurance coverage against the legal liability of the insured	949
for loss, damage, or expense arising from a medical, optometric,	950
or chiropractic claim, as those claims are defined in section	951
2305.113 of the Revised Code.	952
(B) After a policy of commercial property insurance,	953
commercial fire insurance, or commercial casualty insurance	954
other than fidelity or surety bonds, medical malpractice	955
insurance, and automobile insurance as defined in section	956
3937.30 of the Revised Code, has been in effect for more than	957
ninety days, a notice of cancellation for such policy shall not	958

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be issued by any licensed insurer unless it is based on one of	959
the following grounds:	960
(1) Nonpayment of premium;	961
(2) Discovery of fraud or material misrepresentation in	962
the procurement of the insurance or with respect to any claims	963
submitted thereunder;	964
(3) Discovery of a moral hazard or willful or reckless	965
acts or omissions on the part of the named insured that increase	966
any hazard insured against;	967
(4) The occurrence of a change in the individual risk	968
which substantially increases any hazard insured against after	969
insurance coverage has been issued or renewed, except to the	970
extent the insurer reasonably should have foreseen the change or	971
contemplated the risk in writing the contract;	972
(5) Loss of applicable reinsurance or a substantial	973
decrease in applicable reinsurance, if the superintendent has	974
determined that reasonable efforts have been made to prevent the	975
loss of, or substantial decrease in, the applicable reinsurance,	976
or to obtain replacement coverage;	977
(6) Failure of an insured to correct material violations	978
of safety codes or to comply with reasonable written loss	979
control recommendations;	980
(7) A determination by the superintendent of insurance	981
that the continuation of the policy would create a condition	982
that would be hazardous to the policyholders or the public.	983
(C) The notice of cancellation required by this section	984
must be in writing, be mailed to the insured at the insured's	985
last known address, and contain all of the following:	986

(1) The policy number;	987
(2) The date of the notice;	988
(3) The effective date of the cancellation;	989
(4) An explanation of the reason for cancellation.	990
Such notice of cancellation also shall be mailed to the	991
insured's agent.	992
(D)(1) Except for nonpayment of premium, the effective	993
date of cancellation must be no less than thirty days from the	994
date of mailing the notice.	995
(2)(a) When cancellation is for nonpayment of premium, the	996
effective date of cancellation must be no less than ten days	997
from the date of mailing the notice.	998
(b) An insurer may include a notice of cancellation of a	999
policy of automobile—insurance for nonpayment of premium with a	1000
billing notice. Subject to division (D)(2)(a) of this section,	1001
such a cancellation is effective on or after the due date of the	1002
bill.	1003
(E) Nothing in division (B) of this section shall be	1004
construed to prevent an insurer from writing a policy of	1005
commercial property insurance, commercial fire insurance, or	1006
commercial casualty insurance other than medical malpractice	1007
insurance and automobile insurance as defined in section 3937.30	1008
of the Revised Code for a period greater than one year and	1009
providing in such policy that the insurer may issue a notice of	1010
cancellation of such policy at least thirty days prior to an	1011
anniversary of such policy, with the effective date of	1012
cancellation being that anniversary.	1013
The superintendent may prescribe that adequate disclosure	1014

be made to the insured when a policy is issued for a term of	1015
more than one year.	1016
(F) There is no liability on the part of, and no cause of	1017
action of any nature arises against, the superintendent of	1018
insurance, any insurer, or any person furnishing information	1019
requested by the superintendent, an insurer, the agent,	1020
employee, attorney, or other authorized representative of any	1021
such persons, for any oral or written statement made to supply	1022
information relevant to a determination on cancellation of any	1023
policy of commercial property insurance, commercial fire	1024
insurance, or commercial casualty insurance other than fidelity	1025
or surety bonds, medical malpractice insurance, and automobile	1026
insurance as defined in section 3937.30 of the Revised Code, or	1027
in connection with advising an insured or an insured's attorney	1028
of the reasons for a cancellation of such insurance, or in	1029
connection with any administrative or judicial proceeding	1030
arising out of or related to such cancellation.	1031
Sec. 3937.28. (A) A notice of cancellation of a policy of	1032
medical malpractice insurance shall not be issued by any	1033
licensed insurer unless it is based on one of the following	1034
grounds:	1035
(1) Nonpayment of premium;	1036
(2) Discovery of fraud or material misrepresentation in	1037
the procurement of the insurance or with respect to any claims	1038
submitted thereunder;	1039
(3) Discovery of a moral hazard or willful or reckless	1040
acts or omissions on the part of the named insured that increase	1041
any hazard insured against;	1042
(4) (7)	1040

(4) The occurrence of a change in the individual risk that 1043

substantially increases any hazard insured against after	1044
insurance coverage has been issued or renewed, except to the	1045
extent the insurer reasonably should have foreseen the change or	1046
contemplated the risk in writing the contract;	1047
(5) Loss of applicable reinsurance or a substantial	1048
decrease in applicable reinsurance, if the superintendent of	1049
insurance has determined that reasonable efforts have been made	1050
to prevent the loss of, or substantial decrease in, the	1051
applicable reinsurance, or to obtain replacement coverage;	1052
(6) Failure of an insured to correct material violations	1053
of safety codes or to comply with reasonable written loss	1054
control recommendations;	1055
(7) A determination by the superintendent that the	1056
continuation of the policy would create a condition that would	1057
be hazardous to the policyholders or the public.	1058
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(B) The notice of cancellation required by this section	1059
shall be in writing, be mailed both to the insured at the	1060
insured's last known address and to the insured's agent, and	1061
contain all of the following:	1062
(1) The policy number;	1063
(2) The date of the notice;	1064
(3) The effective date of the cancellation;	1065
(4) An explanation of the grounds for cancellation.	1066
(C) Except when cancellation is for nonpayment of premium,	1067
the effective date of cancellation shall be not less than sixty	1068
days from the date of mailing the notice. When cancellation is	1069
for nonpayment of premium, the effective date of cancellation	1070
shall be not less than ten days from the date of mailing the	1071

(D) (2) of section 3937.25 of the Revised Code. (D) Nothing in division (A) of this section shall be 1074 construed to prevent an insurer from writing a policy of medical 1075 malpractice insurance for a period greater than one year and 1076 providing in such policy that the insurer may issue a notice of 1077 cancellation of such policy at least sixty days prior to an 1078 anniversary of such policy, with the effective date of 1079 cancellation being that anniversary.
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The superintendent may prescribe that adequate disclosure 1081
be made to the insured when a policy is issued for a term of 1082
more than one year.
(E) There is no liability on the part of, and no cause of 1084
action of any nature arises against, the superintendent, any 1085
insurer, or any person furnishing information requested by the 1086
superintendent or an insurer, or the agent, employee, attorney 1087
or other authorized representative of any such persons, for any 1088
oral or written statement made to supply information relevant to 1089
a determination on cancellation of any policy of medical 1090
malpractice insurance, or in connection with advising an insured 1091
or the insured's attorney of the grounds for a cancellation of 1092
such insurance, or in connection with any administrative or 1093
judicial proceeding arising out of or related to such 1094
cancellation. 1095
Sec. 3937.47. (A) As used in this section, "personal lines 1096
insurance" means any policy of insurance issued to a natural 1097
person for personal or family protection, including basic 1098
property, dwelling fire, homeowner's, tenant's, inland marine, 1099
personal liability, and personal umbrella liability coverage. 1100

(B) When the reason for cancellation of a personal lines	1101
insurance policy is nonpayment of premium, the effective date of	1102
cancellation shall be not less than ten days from the date the	1103
<pre>notice was mailed.</pre>	1104
(C) An insurer may include a notice of cancellation of a	1105
personal lines insurance policy for nonpayment of premium with a	1106
billing statement. Subject to division (B) of this section, such	1107
a cancellation is effective on or after the due date of the	1108
bill.	1109
Sec. 3955.05. Sections 3955.01 to 3955.19 of the Revised	1110
Code apply to all kinds of direct insurance, except:	1111
(A) Title insurance;	1112
(B) Fidelity or surety bonds, or any other bonding	1113
obligations;	1114
(C) Credit insurance, vendors' single interest insurance,	1115
collateral protection insurance, or any similar insurance	1116
protecting the interests of a creditor arising out of a	1117
creditor-debtor transaction;	1118
(D) Mortgage guaranty, financial guaranty, residual value,	1119
or other forms of insurance offering protection against	1120
<pre>investment risks;</pre>	1121
(E) Ocean marine insurance;	1122
(F) Any insurance provided by or guaranteed by government,	1123
including, but not limited to, any department, board, office,	1124
commission, agency, institution, or other instrumentality or	1125
entity of any branch of state government, any political	1126
subdivision of this state, the United States or any agency of	1127
the United States, or any separate or joint governmental self-	1128

insurance or risk-pooling program, plan, or pool;	1129
(G) Contracts of any corporation by which health services	1130
are to be provided to its subscribers;	1131
(H) Life, annuity, health, or disability insurance,	1132
including sickness and accident insurance written pursuant to	1133
Chapter 3923. of the Revised Code;	1134
(I) Fraternal benefit insurance;	1135
(J) Mutual protective insurance of persons or property;	1136
(K) Reciprocal or interinsurance contracts written	1137
pursuant to Chapter 3931. of the Revised Code for medical	1138
malpractice insurance if the reciprocal exchange or	1139
interinsurance exchange is not subject to the risk-based capital	1140
requirements in effect in the state of domicile of the	1141
reciprocal exchange or interinsurance exchange. As used in this	1142
division, "medical malpractice insurance" means insurance	1143
coverage against the legal liability of the insured and against	1144
loss, damage, or expense incident to a claim arising out of the	1145
death, disease, or injury of any person as the result of	1146
negligence or malpractice in rendering professional service by	1147
any licensed physician, podiatrist, or hospital, as those terms	1148
are defined in section 2305.113 of the Revised Code.	1149
(L) Any political subdivision self-insurance program or	1150
joint political subdivision self-insurance pool established	1151
under Chapter 2744. of the Revised Code;	1152
(M) Warranty or service contracts, or the insurance of	1153
those contracts;	1154
(N) Any state university or college self-insurance program	1155
established under section 3345.202 of the Revised Code;	1156

(O) Any transaction, or combination of transactions,	1157
between a person, including affiliates of such person, and an	1158
insurer, including affiliates of such insurer, that involves the	1159
transfer of investment or credit risk unaccompanied by a	1160
transfer of insurance risk;	1161
(P) Credit union share guaranty insurance issued pursuant	1162
to Chapter 1761. of the Revised Code;	1163
(Q) Insurance issued by risk retention groups as defined	1164
in Chapter 3960. of the Revised Code;	1165
(R) Workers' compensation insurance, including any	1166
contract indemnifying an employer who pays compensation directly	1167
to employees.	1168
(S) Surplus lines insurance issued under section 3905.332	1169
of the Revised Code.	1170
Sec. 3960.11. (A) No person shall act or aid in any manner	1171
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as an insurance agent or broker in accordance with Chapter 3905.	1186
of the Revised Code.	1187
(D) No person shall act or aid in any manner in	1188
soliciting, negotiating, or procuring liability insurance from	1189
an insurer not authorized to do business in this state, or from	1190
a domestic insurer designated as a domestic surplus lines	1191
insurer pursuant to section 3905.332 of the Revised Code, on	1192
behalf of a purchasing group located in this state unless the	1193
person is licensed as a surplus line broker in accordance with	1194
section 3905.30 of the Revised Code.	1195
Sec. 3963.02. (A) (1) No contracting entity shall sell,	1196
rent, or give a third party the contracting entity's rights to a	1197
participating provider's services pursuant to the contracting	1198
entity's health care contract with the participating provider	1199
unless one of the following applies:	1200
(a) The third party accessing the participating provider's	1201
services under the health care contract is an employer or other	1202
entity providing coverage for health care services to its	1203
employees or members, and that employer or entity has a contract	1204
with the contracting entity or its affiliate for the	1205
administration or processing of claims for payment for services	1206
provided pursuant to the health care contract with the	1207
participating provider.	1208
(b) The third party accessing the participating provider's	1209
services under the health care contract either is an affiliate	1210
or subsidiary of the contracting entity or is providing	1211
administrative services to, or receiving administrative services	1212
from, the contracting entity or an affiliate or subsidiary of	1213
the contracting entity.	1214

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(c) The health care contract specifically provides that it	1215
applies to network rental arrangements and states that one	1216
purpose of the contract is selling, renting, or giving the	1217
contracting entity's rights to the services of the participating	1218
provider, including other preferred provider organizations, and	1219
the third party accessing the participating provider's services	1220
is any of the following:	1221
(i) A payer or a third-party administrator or other entity	1222
responsible for administering claims on behalf of the payer;	1223
(ii) A preferred provider organization or preferred	1224
provider network that receives access to the participating	1225
provider's services pursuant to an arrangement with the	1226
preferred provider organization or preferred provider network in	1227
a contract with the participating provider that is in compliance	1228
with division (A)(1)(c) of this section, and is required to	1229
comply with all of the terms, conditions, and affirmative	1230
obligations to which the originally contracted primary	1231
participating provider network is bound under its contract with	1232
the participating provider, including, but not limited to,	1233
obligations concerning patient steerage and the timeliness and	1234
manner of reimbursement.	1235
(iii) An entity that is engaged in the business of	1236
providing electronic claims transport between the contracting	1237
entity and the payer or third-party administrator and complies	1238
with all of the applicable terms, conditions, and affirmative	1239
obligations of the contracting entity's contract with the	1240
participating provider including, but not limited to,	1241
obligations concerning patient steerage and the timeliness and	1242
manner of reimbursement.	1243

(2) The contracting entity that sells, rents, or gives the

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contracting entity's rights to the participating provider's	1245
services pursuant to the contracting entity's health care	1246
contract with the participating provider as provided in division	1247
(A) (1) of this section shall do both of the following:	1248
(a) Maintain a web page that contains a listing of third	1249
parties described in divisions (A)(1)(b) and (c) of this section	1250
with whom a contracting entity contracts for the purpose of	1251
selling, renting, or giving the contracting entity's rights to	1252
the services of participating providers that is updated at least	1253
every six months and is accessible to all participating	1254
providers, or maintain a toll-free telephone number accessible	1255
to all participating providers by means of which participating	1256
providers may access the same listing of third parties;	1257
(b) Require that the third party accessing the	1258
participating provider's services through the participating	1259
provider's health care contract is obligated to comply with all	1260
of the applicable terms and conditions of the contract,	1261
including, but not limited to, the products for which the	1262
participating provider has agreed to provide services, except	1263
that a payer receiving administrative services from the	1264
contracting entity or its affiliate shall be solely responsible	1265
for payment to the participating provider.	1266
(3) Any information disclosed to a participating provider	1267
under this section shall be considered proprietary and shall not	1268
be distributed by the participating provider.	1269
(4) Except as provided in division (A)(1) of this section,	1270
no entity shall sell, rent, or give a contracting entity's	1271

rights to the participating provider's services pursuant to a

health care contract.

(B)(1) No contracting entity shall require, as a condition	1274
of contracting with the contracting entity, that a participating	1275
provider provide services for all of the products offered by the	1276
contracting entity.	1277
(2) Division (B)(1) of this section shall not be construed	1278
to do any of the following:	1279
(a) Prohibit any participating provider from voluntarily	1280
accepting an offer by a contracting entity to provide health	1281
care services under all of the contracting entity's products;	1282
(b) Prohibit any contracting entity from offering any	1283
financial incentive or other form of consideration specified in	1284
the health care contract for a participating provider to provide	1285
health care services under all of the contracting entity's	1286
products;	1287
(c) Require any contracting entity to contract with a	1288
participating provider to provide health care services for less	1289
than all of the contracting entity's products if the contracting	1290
entity does not wish to do so.	1291
(3)(a) Notwithstanding division (B)(2) of this section, no	1292
contracting entity shall require, as a condition of contracting	1293
with the contracting entity, that the participating provider	1294
accept any future product offering that the contracting entity	1295
makes.	1296
(b) If a participating provider refuses to accept any	1297
future product offering that the contracting entity makes, the	1298
contracting entity may terminate the health care contract based	1299
on the participating provider's refusal upon written notice to	1300
the participating provider no sooner than one hundred eighty	1301
days after the refusal.	1302

(4) Once the contracting entity and the participating	1303
provider have signed the health care contract, it is presumed	1304
that the financial incentive or other form of consideration that	1305
is specified in the health care contract pursuant to division	1306
(B)(2)(b) of this section is the financial incentive or other	1307
form of consideration that was offered by the contracting entity	1308
to induce the participating provider to enter into the contract.	1309
(C) No contracting entity shall require, as a condition of	1310
contracting with the contracting entity, that a participating	1311
provider waive or <u>forego forgo</u> any right or benefit expressly	1312
conferred upon a participating provider by state or federal law.	1313
However, this division does not prohibit a contracting entity	1314
from restricting a participating provider's scope of practice	1315
for the services to be provided under the contract.	1316
(D) No health care contract shall do any of the following:	1317
(1) Prohibit any participating provider from entering into	1318
a health care contract with any other contracting entity;	1319
(2) Prohibit any contracting entity from entering into a	1320
health care contract with any other provider;	1321
(3) Preclude its use or disclosure for the purpose of	1322
enforcing this chapter or other state or federal law, except	1323
that a health care contract may require that appropriate	1324
measures be taken to preserve the confidentiality of any	1325
proprietary or trade-secret information.	1326
(E)(1) In addition to any other lawful reasons for	1327
terminating a health care contract, a health care contract may	1328
only be terminated under the circumstances described in division	1329
(A)(3) of section 3963.04 of the Revised Code.	1330
(2) If the health care contract provides for termination	1331

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for cause by either party, the health care contract shall state	1332
the reasons that may be used for termination for cause, which	1333
terms shall be reasonable. Once the contracting entity and the	1334
participating provider have signed the health care contract, it	1335
is presumed that the reasons stated in the health care contract	1336
for termination for cause by either party are reasonable.	1337
Subject to division (E)(3) of this section, the health care	1338
contract shall state the time by which the parties must provide	1339
notice of termination for cause and to whom the parties shall	1340
give the notice.	1341
(3) Nothing in divisions (E)(1) and (2) of this section	1342
shall be construed as prohibiting any health insuring	1343
corporation from terminating a participating provider's contract	1344
for any of the causes described in divisions (A), (D), and (F)	1345
(1) and (2) of section 1753.09 of the Revised Code.	1346
Notwithstanding any provision in a health care contract pursuant	1347
to division (E)(2) of this section, section 1753.09 of the	1348
Revised Code applies to the termination of a participating	1349
provider's contract for any of the causes described in divisions	1350
(A), (D), and (F)(1) and (2) of section 1753.09 of the Revised	1351
Code.	1352
(4) Subject to sections 3963.01 to 3963.11 of the Revised	1353
Code, nothing in this section prohibits the termination of a	1354
health care contract without cause if the health care contract	1355
otherwise provides for termination without cause.	1356
(5) Nothing in division (E) of this section shall be	1357
construed to expand the regulatory authority of the	1358
superintendent to vision care providers.	1359
(F)(1) Disputes among parties to a health care contract	1360

that only concern the enforcement of the contract rights

conferred by section 3963.02, divisions (A) and (D) of section	1362
3963.03, and section 3963.04 of the Revised Code are subject to	1363
a mutually agreed upon arbitration mechanism that is binding on	1364
all parties. The arbitrator may award reasonable attorney's fees	1365
and costs for arbitration relating to the enforcement of this	1366
section to the prevailing party.	1367

- (2) The arbitrator shall make the arbitrator's decision in 1368 an arbitration proceeding having due regard for any applicable 1369 rules, bulletins, rulings, or decisions issued by the department 1370 of insurance or any court concerning the enforcement of the 1371 contract rights conferred by section 3963.02, divisions (A) and 1372 (D) of section 3963.03, and section 3963.04 of the Revised Code. 1373
- (3) A party shall not simultaneously maintain an 1374 arbitration proceeding as described in division (F)(1) of this 1375 section and pursue a complaint with the superintendent of 1376 insurance to investigate the subject matter of the arbitration 1377 proceeding. However, if a complaint is filed with the department 1378 of insurance, the superintendent may choose to investigate the 1379 complaint or, after reviewing the complaint, advise the 1380 complainant to proceed with arbitration to resolve the 1381 complaint. The superintendent may request to receive a copy of 1382 the results of the arbitration. If the superintendent of 1383 insurance notifies an insurer or a health insuring corporation 1384 in writing that the superintendent has initiated a market 1385 conduct examination into the specific subject matter of the 1386 arbitration proceeding pending against that insurer or health 1387 insuring corporation, the arbitration proceeding shall be stayed 1388 at the request of the insurer or health insuring corporation 1389 pending the outcome of the market conduct investigation by the 1390 superintendent. 1391

Sec. 3965.01. As used in this chapter:	1392
(A) "Assuming insurer" has the same meaning as in section	1393
3901.61 of the Revised Code.	1394
(B) "Authorized individual" means an individual authorized	1395
by the licensee to access nonpublic information held by the	1396
licensee and its information systems.	1397
(C) "Ceding insurer" has the same meaning as in section	1398
3901.61 of the Revised Code.	1399
(D) "Consumer" means an individual who is a resident of	1400
this state and whose nonpublic information is in a licensee's	1401
possession, custody, or control. "Consumer" includes an	1402
applicant, policyholder, insured, beneficiary, claimant, and	1403
certificate holder.	1404
(E) "Cybersecurity event" means an event resulting in	1405
unauthorized access to, disruption of, or misuse of an	1406
information system or nonpublic information stored on an	1407
information system that has a reasonable likelihood of	1408
materially harming any consumer residing in this state or any	1409
material part of the normal operations of the licensee.	1410
"Cybersecurity event" does not include the unauthorized	1411
acquisition of encrypted nonpublic information if the	1412
encryption, process, or key is not also acquired, released, or	1413
used without authorization. "Cybersecurity event" does not	1414
include an event with regard to which the licensee has	1415
determined that the nonpublic information accessed by an	1416
unauthorized person has not been used or released and has been	1417
returned or destroyed.	1418
(F) "Encrypted" means the transformation of data into a	1419
form that results in a low probability of assigning meaning	1420

without the use of a protective process or key.	1421
(G) "Family" means an individual's spouse, child,	1422
stepchild, foster child, parent, stepparent, foster parent,	1423
grandparent, grandchild, sibling, half sibling, stepsibling,	1424
<pre>parent-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law.</pre>	1425
(H) "HIPAA" means the "Health Insurance Portability and	1426
Accountability Act of 1996," Pub. L. No. 104-191, 110 Stat.	1427
1936, as amended.	1428
(I) "Independent insurance agent" has the same meaning as	1429
in section 3905.49 of the Revised Code.	1430
(J) "Information security program" means the	1431
administrative, technical, and physical safeguards that a	1432
licensee uses to access, collect, distribute, process, protect,	1433
store, use, transmit, dispose of, or otherwise handle nonpublic	1434
<u>information.</u>	1435
(K) "Information system" means a discrete set of	1436
electronic information resources organized for the collection,	1437
processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or	1438
disposition of electronic nonpublic information, as well as any	1439
specialized system such as industrial and process controls_	1440
systems, telephone switching and private branch exchange	1441
systems, and environmental control systems.	1442
(L) "Insurer" has the same meaning as in section 3901.32	1443
of the Revised Code.	1444
(M) "Licensee" means any person licensed, authorized to	1445
operate, or registered, or required to be licensed, authorized,	1446
or registered pursuant to the insurance laws of this state.	1447
"Licensee" includes an insurer. "Licensee" does not include a	1448
purchasing group or a risk retention group chartered and	1449

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licensed in another state or a licensee that is acting as an	1450
assuming insurer that is domiciled in another state or	1451
jurisdiction.	1452
(N) "Multifactor authentication" means authentication	1453
through verification of at least two of the following types of	1454
authentication factors:	1455
(1) Knowledge factors, such as a password;	1456
(2) Possession factors, such as a token or text message on	1457
a mobile phone;	1458
(3) Inherence factors, such as a biometric characteristic.	1459
(O) "Nonpublic information" means information that is not	1460
publicly available information and is one of the following:	1461
(1) Business-related information of a licensee the	1462
tampering with, unauthorized disclosure of, access to, or use of	1463
which, would cause a material adverse impact to the business,	1464
operation, or security of the licensee;	1465
(2) Information concerning a consumer that because of the	1466
<pre>name, number, personal mark, or other identifier contained in</pre>	1467
the information can be used to identify that consumer in	1468
<pre>combination with any one or more of the following data elements:</pre>	1469
(a) Social security number;	1470
(b) Driver's license, commercial driver's license, or	1471
<pre>state identification card number;</pre>	1472
(c) Account, credit card, or debit card number;	1473
(d) Any security code, access code, or password that would	1474
permit access to the consumer's financial account;	1475
(e) Biometric records.	1476

(3) Any information or data, except age or gender, that is	1477
in any form or medium created by or derived from a health care	1478
provider or a consumer, that can be used to identify a	1479
particular consumer, and that relates to any of the following:	1480
(a) The past, present, or future physical, mental, or	1481
behavioral health or condition of the consumer or a member of	1482
the consumer's family;	1483
(b) The provision of health care to the consumer;	1484
(c) Payment for the provision of health care to the	1485
consumer.	1486
(P) "Publicly available information" means any information	1487
that a licensee has a reasonable basis to believe is lawfully	1488
made available to the general public from federal, state, or	1489
local government records; widely distributed media; or	1490
disclosures to the general public that are required to be made	1491
by federal, state, or local law.	1492
For the purposes of this chapter, a licensee has a	1493
reasonable basis to believe that information is lawfully made	1494
available to the general public if the licensee has taken steps	1495
to determine both of the following:	1496
(1) That the information is of the type that is available	1497
to the general public;	1498
(2) Whether a consumer can direct that the information not	1499
be made available to the general public and, if so, that the	1500
consumer has not done so.	1501
(Q) "Risk assessment" means the risk assessment that each	1502
licensee is required to conduct under division (C) of section	1503
3965.02 of the Revised Code.	1504

(R) "Third-party service provider" means a person other	1505
<pre>than a licensee that:</pre>	1506
(1) Contracts with a licensee to maintain, process, or	1507
store nonpublic information through its provision of services to	1508
the licensee;	1509
(2) Otherwise is permitted access to nonpublic information	1510
through its provision of services to the licensee.	1511
Sec. 3965.02. (A) Each licensee shall develop, implement,	1512
and maintain a comprehensive written information security	1513
program based on the licensee's risk assessment. The program	1514
shall be commensurate with the size and complexity of the	1515
licensee, the nature and scope of the licensee's activities	1516
including its use of third-party service providers, and the	1517
sensitivity of the nonpublic information used by the licensee or	1518
in the licensee's possession, custody, or control.	1519
(B) The information security program shall contain	1520
administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for the	1521
protection of nonpublic information and the licensee's	1522
information system and shall be designed to do all of the	1523
<pre>following:</pre>	1524
(1) Protect the security and confidentiality of nonpublic	1525
information and the security of the information system;	1526
(2) Protect against any threats or hazards to the security	1527
or integrity of nonpublic information and the information	1528
<pre>system;</pre>	1529
(3) Protect against unauthorized access to or use of	1530
nonpublic information and minimize the likelihood of harm to any	1531
<pre>consumer;</pre>	1532

(4) Define and periodically reevaluate a schedule for	1533
retention of nonpublic information and a mechanism for its	1534
destruction when no longer needed.	1535
(C) The licensee shall do all of the following:	1536
(1) Designate one or more persons or entities to act on	1537
behalf of the licensee and be responsible for the information	1538
security program;	1539
(2) Identify reasonably foreseeable internal or external	1540
threats that could result in unauthorized access, transmission,	1541
disclosure, misuse, alteration, or destruction of nonpublic	1542
information, including threats to the security of information	1543
systems and nonpublic information that are accessible to, or	1544
held by, third-party service providers;	1545
(3) Assess the likelihood and potential damage of the	1546
threats described in division (C)(2) of this section, taking	1547
into consideration the sensitivity of the nonpublic information;	1548
(4) Assess the sufficiency of policies, procedures,	1549
information systems, and other safeguards in place to manage the	1550
threats described in division (C)(2) of this section, including	1551
consideration of such threats in each relevant area of the	1552
licensee's operations, including all of the following:	1553
(a) Employee training and management;	1554
(b) Information systems, including network and software	1555
design, as well as information classification, governance,	1556
processing, storage, transmission, and disposal;	1557
(c) Detecting, preventing, and responding to attacks,	1558
intrusions, or other systems failures.	1559
(5) Implement information safeguards to manage the threats	1560

identified in its ongoing assessment;	1561
(6) Not less than annually, assess the effectiveness of	1562
the safeguards' key controls, systems, and procedures.	1563
(D) Based on its risk assessment, the licensee shall do	1564
all of the following:	1565
(1) Design its information security program to mitigate	1566
the identified risks in a way that is commensurate with the size	1567
and complexity of the licensee, the nature and scope of the	1568
licensee's activities including its use of third-party service	1569
providers, and the sensitivity of the nonpublic information used	1570
by the licensee or in the licensee's possession, custody, or	1571
<pre>control;</pre>	1572
(2) Determine which of the following security measures are	1573
appropriate and implement such security measures:	1574
(a) Place access controls on information systems,	1575
including controls to authenticate and permit access only to	1576
authorized individuals, to protect against the unauthorized	1577
acquisition of nonpublic information;	1578
(b) Identify and manage the data, personnel, devices,	1579
systems, and facilities that enable the organization to achieve	1580
business purposes in accordance with their relative importance	1581
to business objectives and the organization's risk strategy;	1582
(c) Restrict access at physical locations containing	1583
nonpublic information to authorized individuals;	1584
(d) Protect by encryption or other appropriate means all	1585
nonpublic information while such information is being	1586
transmitted over an external network and all nonpublic	1587
information stored on a laptop computer or other portable	1588

computing or storage device or media;	1589
(e) Adopt secure development practices for in-house	1590
developed applications utilized by the licensee and procedures	1591
for evaluating, assessing, or testing the security of externally	1592
developed applications utilized by the licensee;	1593
(f) Modify the information system in accordance with the	1594
<pre>licensee's information security program;</pre>	1595
(g) Utilize effective controls, which may include	1596
multifactor authentication procedures for accessing nonpublic	1597
<pre>information;</pre>	1598
(h) Regularly test and monitor systems and procedures to	1599
detect actual and attempted attacks on, or intrusions into,	1600
<pre>information systems;</pre>	1601
(i) Include audit trails within the information security	1602
program designed to detect and respond to cybersecurity events	1603
and designed to reconstruct material financial transactions	1604
sufficient to support normal operations and obligations of the	1605
<u>licensee;</u>	1606
(j) Implement measures to protect against destruction,	1607
loss, or damage of nonpublic information due to environmental	1608
hazards, such as fire and water damage or other catastrophes or	1609
technological failures;	1610
(k) Develop, implement, and maintain procedures for the	1611
secure disposal of nonpublic information in any format.	1612
(3) Include cybersecurity risks in the licensee's	1613
<pre>enterprise risk management process;</pre>	1614
(4) Stay informed regarding emerging threats or	1615
vulnerabilities and utilize reasonable security measures when	1616

sharing information relative to the character of the sharing and	1617
the type of information shared;	1618
(5) Provide its personnel with cybersecurity awareness	1619
training that is updated as necessary to reflect risks	1620
identified by the licensee in the risk assessment.	1621
(E) If the licensee has a board of directors, the board or	1622
an appropriate committee of the board shall, at a minimum, do	1623
all of the following:	1624
(1) Require the licensee's executive management or its	1625
delegates to develop, implement, and maintain the licensee's	1626
<pre>information security program;</pre>	1627
(2) Require the licensee's executive management or its	1628
delegates to report in writing at least annually, all of the	1629
<pre>following information:</pre>	1630
(a) The overall status of the information security program	1631
and the licensee's compliance with this chapter;	1632
(b) Material matters related to the information security	1633
<pre>program, addressing issues such as risk assessment, risk</pre>	1634
management and control decisions, third-party service provider	1635
arrangements, results of testing, cybersecurity events or	1636
violations and management's responses thereto, and	1637
recommendations for changes in the information security program.	1638
(3) If executive management delegates any of its	1639
responsibilities under this section, it shall oversee the	1640
development, implementation, and maintenance of the licensee's	1641
information security program prepared by the delegates and shall	1642
require the delegates to submit a report that complies with the	1643
requirements of division (E)(2) of this section.	1644

(F)(1) A licensee shall exercise due diligence in	1645
selecting its third-party service provider.	1646
(2) A licensee shall require a third-party service	1647
provider to implement appropriate administrative, technical, and	1648
physical measures to protect and secure the information systems	1649
and nonpublic information that are accessible to, or held by,	1650
the third-party service provider.	1651
(G) The licensee shall monitor, evaluate, and adjust, as	1652
appropriate, the information security program consistent with	1653
all of the following:	1654
(1) Any relevant changes in technology;	1655
(2) The sensitivity of its nonpublic information;	1656
(3) Internal or external threats to information;	1657
(4) The licensee's own changing business arrangements,	1658
such as mergers and acquisitions, alliances and joint ventures,	1659
outsourcing arrangements, and changes to information systems.	1660
(H) (1) As part of its information security program, each	1661
licensee shall establish a written incident response plan	1662
designed to promptly respond to, and recover from, any	1663
cybersecurity event that compromises the confidentiality,	1664
integrity, or availability of nonpublic information in its	1665
possession, the licensee's information systems, or the	1666
continuing functionality of any aspect of the licensee's	1667
business or operations.	1668
(2) The incident response plan described in division (H)	1669
(1) of this section shall address all of the following areas:	1670
(a) The internal process for responding to a cybersecurity	1671
<pre>event;</pre>	1672

(b) The goals of the incident response plan;	1673
(c) The definition of clear roles, responsibilities, and	1674
<pre>levels of decision-making authority;</pre>	1675
(d) External and internal communications and information	1676
<pre>sharing;</pre>	1677
(e) Identification of requirements for the remediation of	1678
any identified weaknesses in information systems and associated	1679
controls;	1680
(f) Documentation and reporting regarding cybersecurity	1681
events and related incident response activities;	1682
(g) The evaluation and revision as necessary of the	1683
incident response plan following a cybersecurity event.	1684
(I)(1) By the fifteenth day of February of each year,	1685
unless otherwise permitted to file on the first day of June in	1686
division (I)(2) of this section, each insurer domiciled in this	1687
state shall submit to the superintendent of insurance a written	1688
statement certifying that the insurer is in compliance with the	1689
requirements set forth in this section. Each insurer shall	1690
maintain for examination by the department of insurance all	1691
records, schedules, and data supporting this certificate for a	1692
period of five years. To the extent an insurer has identified	1693
areas, systems, or processes that require material improvement,	1694
updating, or redesign, the insurer shall document the	1695
identification and the remedial efforts planned and underway to	1696
address such areas, systems, or processes. Such documentation	1697
must be available for inspection by the superintendent.	1698
(2) Notwithstanding division (I)(1) of this section, an	1699
insurer domiciled in this state and licensed exclusively to	1700
conduct business in this state and no other state shall be	1701

permitted to submit to the superintendent of insurance a written	1702
statement certifying that the insurer is in compliance with the	1703
requirements set forth in this section as part of the insurer's	1704
corporate governance annual disclosure required by section	1705
3901.073 of the Revised Code.	1706
(J) A licensee that meets the requirements of this chapter	1707
shall be deemed to have implemented a cybersecurity program that	1708
reasonably conforms to an industry-recognized cybersecurity	1709
framework for the purposes of Chapter 1354. of the Revised Code.	1710
Sec. 3965.03. (A) If a licensee learns that a	1711
cybersecurity event has or may have occurred, the licensee or an	1712
outside vendor or service provider designated to act on behalf	1713
of the licensee shall conduct a prompt investigation.	1714
(B) During the investigation, the licensee or an outside	1715
vendor or service provider designated to act on behalf of the	1716
licensee shall, at a minimum, do as much of the following as	1717
possible:	1718
(1) Determine whether a cybersecurity event has occurred;	1719
(2) Assess the nature and scope of the cybersecurity	1720
event;	1721
(3) Identify any nonpublic information that may have been	1722
involved in the cybersecurity event;	1723
(4) Perform or oversee reasonable measures to restore the	1724
security of the information systems compromised in the	1725
cybersecurity event in order to prevent further unauthorized	1726
acquisition, release, or use of nonpublic information in the	1727
licensee's possession, custody, or control.	1728
(C) If the licensee learns that a cybersecurity event has	1729

or may have occurred in a system maintained by a third-party	1730
service provider, the licensee shall take the actions described	1731
in division (B) of this section or make reasonable efforts to	1732
confirm and document that the third-party service provider has	1733
taken those actions.	1734
(D) The licensee shall maintain records concerning all	1735
cybersecurity events for a period of at least five years from	1736
the date of the cybersecurity event and shall produce those	1737
records upon demand of the superintendent of insurance.	1738
Sec. 3965.04. (A) Each licensee shall notify the	1739
superintendent of insurance as promptly as possible after a	1740
determination that a cybersecurity event involving nonpublic	1741
information in the possession of the licensee has occurred, but	1742
in no event later than three business days after that	1743
determination, when either of the following criteria has been	1744
met:	1745
(1) Both of the following apply:	1746
(a) This state is the licensee's state of domicile, in the	1747
case of an insurer, or this state is the licensee's home state,	1748
in the case of an independent insurance agent.	1749
(b) The cybersecurity event has a reasonable likelihood of	1750
materially harming a consumer or a material part of the normal	1751
operations of the licensee.	1752
(2) The licensee reasonably believes that the nonpublic	1753
information involved relates to two hundred fifty or more	1754
consumers residing in this state and the cybersecurity event is	1755
either of the following:	1756
(a) A cybersecurity event impacting the licensee of which	1757
notice is required to be provided to any government body, self-	1758

regulatory agency, or any other supervisory body pursuant to any	1759
<pre>state or federal law;</pre>	1760
(b) A cybersecurity event that has a reasonable likelihood	1761
of materially harming either of the following:	1762
(i) Any consumer residing in this state;	1763
(ii) Any material part of the normal operations of the	1764
<u>licensee.</u>	1765
(B) (1) In providing the notification described in division	1766
(A) of this section, the licensee shall provide as much of the	1767
<pre>following information as possible:</pre>	1768
(a) The date of the cybersecurity event;	1769
(b) A description of how the information was exposed,	1770
lost, stolen, or breached, including the specific roles and	1771
responsibilities of any third-party service providers;	1772
(c) How the cybersecurity event was discovered;	1773
(d) Whether any lost, stolen, or breached information has	1774
been recovered and if so, how this was done;	1775
(e) The identity of the source of the cybersecurity event;	1776
(f) Whether the licensee has filed a police report or has	1777
notified any regulatory, government, or law enforcement agencies	1778
and, if so, when such notification was provided;	1779
(g) A description of the specific types of information	1780
acquired without authorization. "Specific types of information"	1781
means particular data elements, including types of medical	1782
information, types of financial information, or types of	1783
information allowing identification of the consumer.	1784
(h) The period during which the information system was	1785

compromised by the cybersecurity event;	1786
(i) The number of total consumers in this state affected	1787
by the cybersecurity event. The licensee shall provide the best	1788
estimate in the initial report to the superintendent and update	1789
this estimate with each subsequent report to the superintendent	1790
pursuant to this section.	1791
(j) The results of any internal review identifying a lapse	1792
in either automated controls or internal procedures, or	1793
confirming that all automated controls or internal procedures	1794
were followed;	1795
(k) A description of efforts being undertaken to remediate	1796
the situation that permitted the cybersecurity event to occur;	1797
(1) A copy of the licensee's privacy policy and a	1798
statement outlining the steps the licensee will take to	1799
investigate and notify consumers affected by the cybersecurity	1800
<pre>event;</pre>	1801
(m) The name of a contact person who is both familiar with	1802
the cybersecurity event and authorized to act for the licensee.	1803
(2) The licensee shall provide the information in	1804
electronic form as directed by the superintendent. The licensee	1805
shall have a continuing obligation to update and supplement	1806
initial and subsequent notifications to the superintendent	1807
regarding material developments relating to the cybersecurity	1808
event.	1809
(C) A licensee shall comply with section 1349.19 of the	1810
Revised Code as applicable and provide a copy of the notice sent	1811
to consumers under that section to the superintendent, when the	1812
licensee is required to notify the superintendent under division	1813
(A) of this section.	1814

(D)(1) If a licensee becomes aware of a cybersecurity	1815
event in a system maintained by a third-party service provider,	1816
the licensee shall treat the event as it would under division	1817
(A) of this section.	1818
(2) The computation of the licensee's deadlines specified	1819
in this section shall begin on the day after the third-party	1820
service provider notifies the licensee of the cybersecurity	1821
event or the licensee otherwise has actual knowledge of the	1822
cybersecurity event, whichever is sooner.	1823
(3) Nothing in this chapter shall prevent or abrogate an	1824
agreement between a licensee and another licensee, a third-party	1825
service provider, or any other party to fulfill any of the	1826
investigation requirements imposed under section 3965.03 of the	1827
Revised Code or notice requirements imposed under this section.	1828
(E) (1) In the case of a cybersecurity event involving	1829
nonpublic information that is used by or in the possession,	1830
custody, or control of a licensee that is acting as an assuming	1831
insurer, including an assuming insurer that is domiciled in	1832
another state or jurisdiction, and that does not have a direct	1833
contractual relationship with the affected consumers, both of	1834
the following apply:	1835
(a) The assuming insurer shall notify its affected ceding	1836
insurers and the insurance commissioner of its state or	1837
jurisdiction of domicile within three business days of making	1838
the determination that a cybersecurity event has occurred.	1839
(b) The ceding insurers that have a direct contractual	1840
relationship with affected consumers shall fulfill the consumer	1841
notification requirements imposed under section 1349.19 of the	1842
Revised Code and any other notification requirements relating to	1843

a cybersecurity event imposed under this section.	1844
(2) In the case of a cybersecurity event involving	1845
nonpublic information that is in the possession, custody, or	1846
control of a licensee's third-party service provider, when the	1847
licensee is acting as an assuming insurer, including an assuming	1848
insurer that is domiciled in another state or jurisdiction, both	1849
of the following apply:	1850
(a) The assuming insurer shall notify its affected ceding	1851
insurers and the insurance commissioner of its state or	1852
jurisdiction of domicile within three business days of receiving	1853
<pre>notice from its third-party service provider that a</pre>	1854
cybersecurity event has occurred.	1855
(b) The ceding insurers that have a direct contractual	1856
relationship with affected consumers shall fulfill the consumer	1857
notification requirements imposed under section 1349.19 of the	1858
Revised Code and any other notification requirements relating to	1859
a cybersecurity event imposed under this section.	1860
(3) Any licensee acting as an assuming insurer shall have	1861
no other notice obligations relating to a cybersecurity event or	1862
other data breach under division (A) of this section.	1863
(F) In the case of a cybersecurity event involving	1864
nonpublic information that is in the possession, custody, or	1865
control of a licensee that is an insurer or its third-party	1866
service provider, that was obtained by the insurer from a	1867
consumer accessing the insurer's services through an independent	1868
insurance agent, and for which disclosure or notice is required	1869
under section 1349.19 of the Revised Code, the insurer shall	1870
notify the independent insurance agents of record of all	1871
affected consumers.	1872

The insurer is excused from this obligation for any	1873
independent insurance agents who are not authorized by law or	1874
contract to sell, solicit, or negotiate on behalf of the	1875
insurer, and for those instances in which the insurer does not	1876
have the current independent insurance agent of record	1877
information for an individual consumer.	1878
Sec. 3965.05. (A) The superintendent of insurance shall_	1879
have power to examine and investigate into the affairs of any	1880
licensee to determine whether the licensee has been or is	1881
engaged in any conduct in violation of this chapter. This power	1882
is in addition to the powers that the superintendent has under	1883
Title XXXIX and Chapters 1739. and 1751. of the Revised Code.	1884
(B) Whenever the superintendent has reason to believe that	1885
a licensee has been or is engaged in conduct in this state that	1886
violates this chapter, the superintendent may take any necessary	1887
or appropriate action to enforce the provisions of this chapter.	1888
Sec. 3965.06. (A) (1) Any documents, materials, or other	1889
information in the control or possession of the department of	1890
insurance that are furnished pursuant to divisions (H)(1) and	1891
(I) of section 3965.02 and divisions (B)(1)(b), (c), (d), (e),	1892
(h), (j), and (k) of section 3965.04 of the Revised Code, or	1893
that are obtained by, created by, or disclosed to the	1894
superintendent of insurance in an investigation or examination	1895
pursuant to section 3965.05 of the Revised Code:	1896
(a) Shall be confidential by law and privileged;	1897
(b) Are not public records for the purposes of section	1898
149.43 of the Revised Code and shall not be released;	1899
(c) Shall not be subject to subpoena;	1900
(d) Shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in	1901

evidence in any private civil action.	1902
(2) Notwithstanding division (A)(1) of this section, the	1903
superintendent may use the documents, materials, or other	1904
information described in division (A) of this section in	1905
furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought as a part	1906
of the superintendent's duties.	1907
(B) Neither the superintendent nor any person who received	1908
documents, materials, or other information described in division	1909
(A) of this section while acting under the authority of the	1910
superintendent shall be permitted or required to testify in any	1911
private civil action concerning any documents, materials, or	1912
information subject to division (A) of this section.	1913
(C) In order to assist in the performance of the	1914
superintendent's duties under this chapter, the superintendent	1915
may do any of the following:	1916
(1) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, share	1917
documents, materials, or other information, including those	1918
subject to division (A) of this section, with all of the	1919
following if the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the	1920
confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material,	1921
or other information:	1922
(a) Other state, federal, and international regulatory	1923
agencies;	1924
(b) The national association of insurance commissioners	1925
and its affiliates and subsidiaries;	1926
(c) State, federal, and international law enforcement	1927
authorities.	1928
(2) Receive documents, materials, or information,	1929

including otherwise confidential and privileged documents,	1930
materials, or information, from the national association of	1931
insurance commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries, and	1932
from regulatory and law enforcement officials of other foreign	1933
or domestic jurisdictions. The superintendent shall maintain as	1934
confidential or privileged any document, material, or	1935
information received with notice or the understanding that it is	1936
confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction	1937
that is the source of the document, material, or information.	1938
(3) Share documents, materials, or other information	1939
subject to division (A) of this section with a third-party	1940
consultant or vendor if the consultant or vendor agrees in	1941
writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of	1942
the document, material, or other information;	1943
(4) Enter into agreements governing sharing and use of	1944
information consistent with this section.	1945
(D) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of	1946
confidentiality in the documents, materials, or information	1947
shall occur as a result of disclosure to the superintendent	1948
under this section or as a result of sharing as authorized in	1949
division (C) of this section.	1950
(E) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the	1951
superintendent from releasing decisions related to final,	1952
adjudicated actions that are open to public inspection pursuant	1953
to section 149.43 of the Revised Code to a database or other	1954
clearinghouse service maintained by the national association of	1955
insurance commissioners or its affiliates or subsidiaries.	1956
(F) Any documents, materials, or other information	1957
described in division (A) of this section that are in the	1958

possession or control of the national association of insurance	1959
commissioners, or any vendor, third-party consultant to the	1960
national association of insurance commissioners, or a third-	1961
party service provider:	1962
(1) Shall be confidential by law and privileged;	1963
(2) Are not public records for the purposes of section	1964
149.43 of the Revised Code and shall not be released;	1965
(3) Shall not be subject to subpoena;	1966
(4) Shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in	1967
evidence in any private civil action.	1968
Sec. 3965.07. (A) A licensee is exempt from the	1969
requirements of section 3965.02 of the Revised Code if it meets	1970
any of the following criteria:	1971
(1) The licensee has fewer than twenty employees.	1972
(2) The licensee has less than five million dollars in	1973
gross annual revenue.	1974
(3) The licensee has less than ten million dollars in	1975
assets, measured at the end of the licensee's fiscal year.	1976
(B) (1) A licensee subject to and in compliance with the	1977
privacy and security rules of 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164 shall	1978
be deemed to meet the requirements of this chapter, except those	1979
pertaining to notification under section 3965.04 of the Revised	1980
Code. The licensee shall submit a written statement to the	1981
superintendent certifying its compliance with 45 C.F.R. Parts	1982
160 and 164. The information furnished by a licensee pursuant to	1983
section 3965.04 of the Revised Code shall be confidential in	1984
accordance with section 3965.06 of the Revised Code.	1985

Each licensee shall maintain for examination by the	1986
superintendent all records, schedules, and data supporting the	1987
certificate of compliance for a period of five years. To the	1988
extent an insurer has identified areas, systems, or processes	1989
that require material improvement, updating, or redesign, the	1990
insurer shall document the identification and the remedial	1991
efforts planned and underway to address such areas, systems, or	1992
processes. Such documentation shall be available for inspection	1993
by the department.	1994
(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a	1995
licensee subject to HIPAA shall comply with the requirements of	1996
any subsequent amendments to HIPAA in the timeframe established	1997
in the applicable amendments to HIPAA.	1998
(C) An employee, agent, representative, independent	1999
contractor, or designee of a licensee, who is also a licensee,	2000
is exempt from section 3965.02 of the Revised Code and need not	2001
develop its own information security program to the extent that	2002
the employee, agent, representative, independent contractor, or	2003
designee is covered by the information security program of the	2004
other licensee.	2005
(D) If a licensee ceases to qualify for an exemption, the	2006
licensee shall have one hundred eighty days after the date it	2007
ceases to qualify to comply with this chapter.	2008
Sec. 3965.08. (A) A licensee that satisfies the provisions	2009
of this chapter shall be entitled to an affirmative defense to	2010
any cause of action sounding in tort that is brought under the	2011
laws of this state or in the courts of this state and that	2012
alleges that the failure to implement reasonable information	2013
security controls resulted in a data breach concerning nonpublic	2014
information.	2015

(B) The affirmative defenses permitted under this section	2016
shall not limit any other affirmative defenses available to a	2017
licensee.	2018
Sec. 3965.09. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,	2019
the provisions of this chapter and any rules adopted pursuant to	2020
this chapter constitute the exclusive state standards and	2021
requirements applicable to licensees regarding cybersecurity	2022
events, the security of nonpublic information, data security,	2023
investigation of cybersecurity events, and notification to the	2024
superintendent of cybersecurity events.	2025
Sec. 3965.10. The superintendent of insurance, pursuant to	2026
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, may adopt rules as necessary	2027
to carry out the provisions of this chapter.	2028
Sec. 3965.11. The superintendent of insurance shall	2029
consider the nature, scale, and complexity of licensees in	2030
administering this chapter and adopting rules pursuant to this	2031
<pre>chapter.</pre>	2032
Sec. 5321.17. (A) Except as provided in division (C) of	2033
this section, the landlord or the tenant may terminate or fail	2034
to renew a week-to-week tenancy by notice given the other at	2035
least seven days prior to the termination date specified in the	2036
notice.	2037
(B) Except as provided in division (C) of this section,	2038
the landlord or the tenant may terminate or fail to renew a	2039
month-to-month tenancy by notice given the other at least thirty	2040
days prior to the periodic rental date.	2041
(C) (1) If a tenant violates division (A) (9) of section	2042
5321.05 of the Revised Code and if the landlord has actual	2043
knowledge of or has reasonable cause to believe that the tenant,	2044

any person in the tenant's household, or any person on the	2045
residential premises with the consent of the tenant previously	2046
has or presently is engaged in a violation as described in	2047
division (A)(6)(a)(i) of section 1923.02 of the Revised Code,	2048
the landlord shall terminate the week-to-week tenancy, month-to-	2049
month tenancy, or other rental agreement with the tenant by	2050
giving a notice of termination to the tenant in accordance with	2051
this division. The notice shall specify that the tenancy or	2052
other rental agreement is terminated three days after the giving	2053
of the notice, and the landlord may give the notice whether or	2054
not the tenant or other person has been charged with, has	2055
pleaded guilty to or been convicted of, or has been determined	2056
to be a delinquent child for an act that, if committed by an	2057
adult, would be a violation as described in division (A)(6)(a)	2058
(i) of section 1923.02 of the Revised Code. If the tenant fails	2059
to vacate the premises within three days after the giving of	2060
that notice, then the landlord promptly shall comply with	2061
division (A)(9) of section 5321.04 of the Revised Code. For	2062
purposes of this division, actual knowledge or reasonable cause	2063
to believe as described in this division shall be determined in	2064
accordance with division (A)(6)(a)(i) of section 1923.02 of the	2065
Revised Code.	2066

- (2) The three-day period described in division (C) (1) of
 this section shall begin on the day immediately following the
 day the notice is delivered and, notwithstanding section 1.14 of
 the Revised Code, shall count all intervening days including
 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

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- (D) This section does not apply to a termination based on 2072 the breach of a condition of a rental agreement or the breach of 2073 a duty and obligation imposed by law, except that it does apply 2074 to a breach of the obligation imposed upon a tenant by division 2075

(A)(9) of section 5321.05 of the Revised Code.	2076
Section 2. That existing sections 1317.04, 1317.05,	2077
1923.04, 1923.14, 3905.30, 3905.33, 3905.423, 3905.426, 3937.25,	2078
3937.28, 3955.05, 3960.11, 3963.02, and 5321.17 and section	2079
3905.425 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	2080
Section 3. Licensees, as defined in section 3965.01 of the	2081
Revised Code as enacted in this act, shall have two years from	2082
the effective date of this act to implement division (F) of	2083
section 3965.02 of the Revised Code and one year from the	2084
effective date of this act to implement all other divisions of	2085
that section.	2086
Section 4. Chapter 3965. of the Revised Code is intended	2087
to enact an industry-recognized cybersecurity framework for the	2088
purposes of Chapter 1354. of the Revised Code.	2089