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Senator Hackett

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A BILL

To enact sections 1.65 and 3901.91 of the Revised	1
Code to enact for the Revised Code a definition	2
of the term "insurance rating agency."	3

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

Section 1. That sections 1.65 and 3901.91 of the Revised	4
Code be enacted to read as follows:	5
Sec. 1.65. (A) As used in the Revised Code, "insurance_	6
rating agency" means A.M. Best Rating Services, Inc., Demotech,	7
Inc., or a rating agency certified or approved by a national	8
entity that engages in an approval process that includes all of	9
the following:	10
(1) A requirement for the rating agency to register and	11
provide an annual updated filing;	12
(2) Record retention requirements;	13
(3) Financial reporting requirements;	14
(4) Policies for the prevention of misuse of material,	15
nonpublic information;	16

(5) Management of conflicts of interest, including	17
prohibited conflicts;	18
(6) Prohibited acts and practices;	19
(7) Disclosure requirements;	20
(8) Required policies, practices, and internal controls;	21
(9) Standards of training, experience, and competence for	22
credit analysts.	23
(B) Any reference in the Revised Code to an entity named	24
in division (A) of this section shall be construed as a	25
reference to any insurance rating agency as defined in division	26
(A) of this section. Any reference in the Revised Code to a	27
specific entity not named in division (A) of this section but	28
otherwise meeting the definition of "insurance rating agency" in	29
division (A) of this section shall be construed as a reference	30
to an insurance rating agency as defined by division (A) of this	31
section.	32
Sec. 3901.91. When the superintendent of insurance adopts	33
or amends a rule, including a rule related to the	34
superintendent's duties and powers under Chapters 1751. and	35
1753. and Title XXXIX of the Revised Code or a rule related to	36
an "insurance rating agency" as defined by section 1.65 of the	37
Revised Code, the superintendent shall give consideration to the	38
inclusion in the rule of the definition of "insurance rating	39
agency" found in section 1.65 of the Revised Code.	40