

REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

Regulation: 806 KAR 15:050

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(1) Provide a brief summary of:

(a) What this administrative regulation does: This regulation establishes the standards for life settlement contracts and other forms, the information to be included in disclosures and reports, advertising standards, and general rules and prohibited practices with respect to life settlement contracts, life settlement providers and life settlement brokers.

(b) The necessity of this administrative regulation: This regulation is necessary to provide additional clarification of the life settlement statutes and to prescribe the processes for doing business as a life settlement broker and a life settlement provider.

(c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: KRS 304.15-720 authorizes the executive director to promulgate administrative regulations to implement the life settlement statutes. KRS 304.15-715 authorizes the executive director to establish a form for life settlement providers to use to request verification of coverage. This regulation aids in the implementation of the life settlement statutes and prescribes the required form to request verification of coverage.

(d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: This regulation prescribes the process for approval of forms for use in life settlement transactions, clarifies prohibited practices in life settlement transactions, establishes minimum amounts to be paid to a chronically or terminally ill owner, prescribes required disclosures, sets standards for advertising life settlement services and establishes a reporting mechanism to allow the Department of Insurance to appropriately monitor the industry.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

(a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation: The amendments to this administrative regulation are changes required by Chapter 13A.

(b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation: The necessity of these amendments are established in the Chapter 13A.222, in which the drafting requirements are set forth. These requirements ensure the administrative regulation language to be uniform and simple for those needing to reference.

(c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: Chapter 13A gives a very detailed explanation of the formatting rules as well as prohibited words and phrases, so these amendments remove old language and replace with acceptable unambiguous language.

(d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: The amendments made to this administrative regulation meet Chapter 13A guidelines, which means the administrative regulation meets standards that are more effective. With clearer language 304.1-010 is more effective and thus, allowing the Department to regulate more effectively.

(3) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation: This regulation will affect the approximately 520 insurers that are licensed to offer life insurance and the approximately 113 licensed life settlement brokers and life settlement providers in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

(4) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in the previous question will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:

(a) List the actions each of the regulated entities have to take to comply with this regulation or amendment: Most of the amendments to this administrative regulation are formatting and terminology changes that will not require any new action on behalf of the regulated entities.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities: Because most of the changes relate to formatting and terminology changes, there should not be an additional cost to regulated entities in order to comply with the amendments to this administrative regulation. Because the reporting requirement for life settlement brokers was removed, there should be a reduced administrative cost for life settlement brokers.

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities: As a result of compliance with this administrative regulation, regulated entities will be in compliance with the life settlement law in Kentucky and, therefore, not subject to administrative action by the Department. Policyholders seeking to settle life insurance policies can be assured that they are receiving the proper disclosures to make an informed decision..

(5) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation:

(a) Initially: Implementation of this amendment is not anticipated to have an initial cost on the Department of Insurance.

(b) On a continuing basis: Implementation of this amendment is not anticipated to have an on-going cost on the Department of Insurance.

(6) What is the source of the funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation: The Department will use funds from its current operational budget to perform the tasks necessary.

(7) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment: An increase of fees will not be necessary because additional personnel is likely unnecessary.

(8) State whether or not this administrative regulation established any fees or directly or indirectly increased any fees: This administrative regulation does not establish any fees.

(9) TIERING: Is tiering applied? Explain why or why not. Tiering is not applied because the requirements in this administrative regulation applies to all insurers offering dividend plans.

FISCAL NOTE ON STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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(1) What units, parts or divisions of state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) will be impacted by this administrative regulation? The Department as the implementer.

(2) Identify each state or federal statute or federal regulation that requires or authorizes the action taken by the administrative regulation. KRS 304.15-715(2), 304.15-720

(3) Estimate the effect of this administrative regulation on the expenditures and revenues of a state or local government agency (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first full year the administrative regulation is to be in effect. If specific dollar estimates cannot be determined, provide a brief narrative to explain the fiscal impact of the administrative regulation.

(a) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for the first year? This administrative regulation is revenue neutral.

(b) How much revenue will this administrative regulation generate for the state or local government (including cities, counties, fire departments, or school districts) for subsequent years? This administrative regulation is revenue neutral.

(c) How much will it cost to administer this program for the first year? There is no expected cost for implementation.

(d) How much will it cost to administer this program for subsequent years? There is no expected cost for implementation.

Note: If specific dollar estimates cannot be determined, provide a brief narrative to explain the fiscal impact of the administrative regulation.

(4) Revenues (+/-): Neutral

(5) Expenditures (+/-): Neutral

(6) Other Explanation: