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The Committee on Insurance and Real Estate reported through REP. WOOD of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

# AN ACT CONCERNING CAPTIVE INSURANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 38a-91aa of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):
- As used in this section, sections 38a-91bb to 38a-91uu, inclusive, [and]
  sections 38a-91ww to 38-91yy, inclusive, and section 3 of this act:
- 5 (1) "Affiliated company" means any company in the same corporate 6 system as a parent, an industrial insured or a member organization by 7 virtue of common ownership, control, operation or management.
- 8 (2) "Agency captive insurance company" means a captive insurance9 company that:
- (A) Is owned or directly or indirectly controlled by one or more
  insurance agents or insurance producers licensed in accordance with
  sections 38a-702a to 38a-702r, inclusive;

(B) Only insures against risks covered by insurance policies sold,
solicited or negotiated through the insurance agents or insurance
producers that own or control such captive insurance company; and

16 (C) Does not insure against risks covered by any health insurance17 policy or plan.

(3) "Alien captive insurance company" means any insurance
company formed to write insurance business for its parent and affiliated
companies and licensed pursuant to the laws of an alien jurisdiction that
imposes statutory or regulatory standards on companies transacting the
business of insurance in such jurisdiction that the commissioner deems
to be acceptable.

(4) "Association" means any legal association of individuals,
corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, associations or
other entities, where the association itself or some or all of the member
organizations:

(A) Directly or indirectly own, control or hold with power to vote all
of the outstanding voting securities or other voting interests of an
association captive insurance company incorporated as a stock insurer;

(B) Have complete voting control over an association captive
insurance company incorporated as a mutual corporation or formed as
a limited liability company; or

34 (C) Constitute all of the subscribers of an association captive35 insurance company formed as a reciprocal insurer.

(5) "Association captive insurance company" means any company
that insures risks of the member organizations of an association, and
includes a company that also insures risks of such member
organizations' affiliated companies or of the association.

40 (6) "Branch business" means any insurance business transacted in this41 state by a branch captive insurance company.

(7) "Branch captive insurance company" means any alien captive
insurance company or foreign captive insurance company licensed by
the commissioner to transact the business of insurance in this state
through a business unit with a principal place of business in this state.

46 (8) "Branch operations" means any business operations in this state of47 a branch captive insurance company.

48 (9) "Captive insurance company" means any (A) pure captive 49 insurance company, agency captive insurance company, association 50 captive insurance company, industrial insured captive insurance 51 company, risk retention group, sponsored captive insurance company 52 or special purpose financial captive insurance company that is 53 domiciled in this state and formed or licensed under the provisions of 54 this section and sections 38a-91bb to 38a-91tt, inclusive, or (B) branch 55 captive insurance company.

(10) "Ceding insurer" means an insurance company, approved by the
commissioner and licensed or otherwise authorized to transact the
business of insurance or reinsurance in its state or country of domicile,
that cedes risk to a special purpose financial captive insurance company
pursuant to a reinsurance contract.

61 (11) "Commissioner" means the Insurance Commissioner.

62 (12) "Controlled unaffiliated business" means any person:

(A) Who, (i) in the case of a pure captive insurance company, is not
in the corporate system of a parent and the parent's affiliated companies,
(ii) in the case of an industrial insured captive insurance company, is not
in the corporate system of an industrial insured and the industrial
insured's affiliated companies, or (iii) in the case of a sponsored captive
insurance company, is not in the corporate system of a participant and
the participant's affiliated companies;

(B) Who, (i) in the case of a pure captive insurance company, has an
existing contractual relationship with a parent or one of the parent's
affiliated companies, (ii) in the case of an industrial insured captive

insurance company, has an existing contractual relationship with an
industrial insured or one of the industrial insured's affiliated companies,
or (iii) in the case of a sponsored captive insurance company, has an
existing contractual relationship with a participant or one of the
participant's affiliated companies; and

(C) Whose risks are managed by a pure captive insurance company,
an industrial insured captive insurance company or a sponsored captive
insurance company, as applicable, in accordance with section 38a-91qq.

(13) "Excess workers' compensation insurance" means, in the case of
an employer that has insured or self-insured its workers' compensation
risks in accordance with applicable state or federal law, insurance in
excess of a specified per-incident or aggregate limit established by the
commissioner.

86 (14) "Foreign captive insurance company" means any insurance 87 company formed to write insurance business for its parent and affiliated 88 companies and licensed pursuant to the laws of a foreign jurisdiction 89 that imposes statutory or regulatory standards on companies 90 transacting the business of insurance in such jurisdiction that the 91 commissioner deems to be acceptable.

92 (15) "Incorporated protected cell" means a protected cell that is
93 established as a corporation or a limited liability company, separate
94 from the sponsored captive insurance company with which it has
95 entered into a participant contract.

96 (16) "Industrial insured" means an insured:

97 (A) Who procures the insurance of any risk or risks by use of the
98 services of a full-time employee acting as an insurance manager or
99 buyer;

(B) Whose aggregate annual premiums for insurance on all risks totalat least twenty-five thousand dollars; and

102 (C) Who has at least twenty-five full-time employees.

103 (17) "Industrial insured captive insurance company" means any 104 company that insures risks of the industrial insureds that comprise an 105 industrial insured group, and includes a company that also insures risks 106 of such industrial insureds' affiliated companies. 107 (18) "Industrial insured group" means any group of industrial 108 insureds that collectively: 109 (A) Directly or indirectly own, control or hold with power to vote all 110 of the outstanding voting securities or other voting interests of an 111 industrial insured captive insurance company incorporated as a stock 112 insurer; 113 (B) Have complete voting control over an industrial insured captive 114 insurance company incorporated as a mutual corporation or formed as 115 a limited liability company; or 116 (C) Constitute all of the subscribers of an industrial insured captive 117 insurance company formed as a reciprocal insurer. 118 (19) "Insurance securitization" or "securitization" means a transaction 119 or a group of related transactions, which may include capital market 120 offerings, that are effected through related risk transfer instruments and 121 facilitating administrative agreements, in which all or part of the result 122 of such transaction is used to fund a special purpose financial captive 123 insurance company's obligations under a reinsurance contract with a 124 ceding insurer and by which: 125 (A) A special purpose financial captive insurance company directly 126 or indirectly obtains proceeds through the issuance of securities by such 127 company or any other person; or 128 (B) A person provides, for the benefit of a special purpose financial 129 captive insurance company, one or more letters of credit or other assets 130 that the commissioner has authorized such company to treat as 131 admitted assets for purposes of its annual report. "Insurance

securitization" or "securitization" does not include the issuance of aletter of credit for the benefit of the commissioner to satisfy all or part of

134 a special purpose financial captive insurance company's capital and 135 surplus requirements under section 38a-91dd. 136 (20) "Member organization" means any individual, corporation, 137 limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity that 138 belongs to an association. 139 (21) "Mutual corporation" means a corporation organized without 140 stockholders and includes a nonprofit corporation with members. 141 (22) "Parent" means any individual, corporation, limited liability 142 company, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly owns, 143 controls or holds with power to vote more than fifty per cent of the 144 outstanding voting: 145 (A) Securities of a pure captive insurance company organized as a 146 stock insurer; or 147 (B) Membership interests of a pure captive insurance company 148 organized as a nonprofit corporation or as a limited liability company. 149 (23) "Participant" means any association, corporation, limited liability 150 company, partnership, trust or other entity, and any affiliated company 151 or controlled unaffiliated business thereof, that is insured by a 152 sponsored captive insurance company pursuant to a participant 153 contract. 154 (24) "Participant contract" means a contract entered into by a 155 sponsored captive insurance company and a participant by which the 156 sponsored captive insurance company insures the risks of the 157 participant and limits the losses of each such participant to its pro rata 158 share of the assets of one or more protected cells identified in such 159 participant contract. 160 (25) "Protected cell" means a separate account established by a

161 sponsored captive insurance company, in which assets are maintained 162 for one or more participants in accordance with the terms of one or more 163 participant contracts to fund the liability of the sponsored captive

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insurance company assumed on behalf of such participants as set forthin such participant contracts.

(26) "Pure captive insurance company" means any company that
insures risks of its parent and affiliated companies or controlled
unaffiliated business.

(27) "Reinsurance contract" means a contract entered into by a special
purpose financial captive insurance company and a ceding insurer by
which the special purpose financial captive insurance company agrees
to provide reinsurance to the ceding insurer for risks associated with the
ceding insurer's insurance or reinsurance business.

(28) "Risk retention group" means a captive insurance company
organized under the laws of this state pursuant to the federal Liability
Risk Retention Act of 1986, 15 USC 3901 et seq., as amended from time
to time, as a stock insurer or mutual corporation, a reciprocal or other
limited liability entity.

(29) "Security" has the same meaning as provided in section 36b-3 and
includes any form of debt obligation, equity, surplus certificate, surplus
note, funding agreement, derivative or other financial instrument that
the commissioner designates as a security for purposes of this section
and sections 38a-91bb to 38a-91tt, inclusive.

(30) "Special purpose financial captive insurance company" means a
company that is licensed by the commissioner in accordance with
section 38a-91bb.

(31) "Special purpose financial captive insurance company security"
means a security issued by (A) a special purpose financial captive
insurance company, or (B) a third party, the proceeds of which are
obtained directly or indirectly by a special purpose financial captive
insurance company.

(32) "Sponsor" means any association, corporation, limited liability
company, partnership, trust or other entity that is approved by the
commissioner to organize and operate a sponsored captive insurance

195 196	company and to provide all or part of the required unimpaired paid-in capital and surplus.
197 198	(33) "Sponsored captive insurance company" means a captive insurance company:
199 200	(A) In which the minimum required unimpaired paid-in capital and surplus are provided by one or more sponsors;
201 202	(B) That insures risks of its participants only through separate participant contracts; and
203 204 205 206	(C) That funds its liability to each participant through one or more protected cells and segregates the assets of each protected cell from the assets of other protected cells and from the assets of the sponsored captive insurance company's general account.
207 208 209 210 211	(34) "Surplus note" means an unsecured subordinated debt obligation possessing characteristics consistent with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Statement of Statutory Accounting Principles No. 41, as amended from time to time, and as modified or supplemented by the commissioner.
212 213 214	Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 38a-9100 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof ( <i>Effective October 1</i> , 2025):
<ul> <li>215</li> <li>216</li> <li>217</li> <li>218</li> <li>219</li> <li>220</li> <li>221</li> <li>221</li> </ul>	(a) Unless otherwise provided in sections 38a-91aa to 38a-91tt, inclusive, as amended by this act, no provision of this title shall apply to captive insurance companies, unless expressly included therein, except for the following: (1) Sections <u>38a-2</u> , 38a-8, 38a-16, 38a-17, 38a-54 to 38a-59, inclusive, 38a-69a, 38a-102h and 38a-250 to 38a-266, inclusive, and chapter 704c; and (2) subsection (d) of section 38a-72 and sections <u>38a-73</u> and <u>38a-129</u> to <u>38a-140</u> , inclusive, which shall apply only to captive
222	insurance companies formed as risk retention groups.

Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) (1) Any captive insurance company domiciled in this state and organized as an agency captive

insurance company, association captive insurance company, industrial
insured captive insurance company, pure captive insurance company,
risk retention group or special purpose financial insurance company
may, with the commissioner's prior written approval, convert into a
protected cell.

(2) Any such conversion of a captive insurance company, in
accordance with the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection,
shall be subject to the provisions of sections 38a-91aa to 38a-91tt,
inclusive, of the general statutes, as amended by this act, as applicable,
and such captive insurance company's plan of operation approved by
the commissioner, without affecting the converted captive insurance
company's assets, rights, benefits, obligations or liabilities.

237 (b) Any conversion of a captive insurance company into a protected 238 cell shall be deemed to be a continuation of such converted captive 239 insurance company's existence together with all of such captive 240 insurance company's assets, rights, benefits, obligations and liabilities 241 as a protected cell. Any such conversion of a captive insurance company 242 shall be deemed to occur without any transfer or assignment of such 243 captive insurance company's assets, rights, benefits, obligations or 244 liabilities, and without the creation of any reversionary interest in, or 245 impairment of, any such assets, rights, benefits, obligations or liabilities.

(c) Any conversion of a captive insurance company shall not be
construed to limit any rights or protections applicable to such captive
insurance company under subsection (c) of section 38a-91bb of the
general statutes, as applicable, that existed immediately prior to the date
of such conversion.

(d) Any captive insurance company that converts into a protected
cell, in accordance with the provisions of this section, shall perform such
conversion, in accordance with chapter 601 or 613 of the general statutes,
as applicable, or in accordance with any such provisions of the general
statutes applicable to the formation of any other type of legal entity
permissible under the laws of this state, as applicable.

257 (e) Any sponsored captive insurance company, including a 258 sponsored captive insurance company licensed as a special purpose 259 financial insurance company, may, (1) with the prior consent of each 260 participant of the affected protected cell or as otherwise permitted 261 pursuant to a participation agreement, or the consent of the affected 262 incorporated protected cell, (2) upon application of the sponsor, and (3) 263 with the commissioner's prior written approval, sell, transfer, assign or 264 otherwise convey a protected cell, together with all of such protected 265 cell's assets, rights, benefits, obligations and liabilities, to a new or 266 existing sponsored captive insurance company or sponsored captive 267 insurance company licensed as a special purpose financial insurance 268 company, pursuant to any plan of operation approved by the 269 commissioner.

(f) Any sale, transfer, assignment or conveyance of a protected cell, in
accordance with the provisions of subsection (e) of this section, shall be
deemed to be a continuation of such protected cell's existence, together
with all of such protected cell's assets, rights, benefits, obligations and
liabilities, as a protected cell of the transferee sponsored captive
insurance company.

276 (g) No sale, transfer, assignment or conveyance of a protected cell, in 277 accordance with the provisions of subsection (e) of this section, shall 278 limit any rights or protections applicable to the transferred protected 279 cell and the transferor sponsored captive insurance company or 280 sponsored captive insurance company licensed as a special purpose 281 financial insurance company under this chapter, as applicable, that 282 existed immediately prior to the date of such sale, transfer, assignment 283 or conveyance.

Sec. 4. Section 38a-91rr of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

(a) Each sponsored captive insurance company may establish and
maintain one or more protected cells, subject to the following
conditions:

(1) The stockholders of a sponsored captive insurance company shall
be limited to its participants and sponsors, except that a sponsored
captive insurance company may issue nonvoting securities to other
persons on terms approved by the commissioner;

(2) Each sponsored captive insurance company shall account
separately on the books and records of such company for each protected
cell to reflect the financial condition and results of operations of such
protected cell, net income or loss, dividends or other distributions to
participants and such other factors as may be provided in the participant
contract or required by the commissioner;

(3) No liabilities arising out of any other insurance business the
sponsored captive insurance company may conduct shall be chargeable
against the assets of a protected cell;

302 (4) No sponsored captive insurance company shall make any sale,
303 exchange or other transfer of assets, dividend or distribution between
304 or among any of its protected cells without the consent of such protected
305 cells;

(5) No protected cell shall make any sale, exchange or other transfer
of assets, dividend or distribution to a sponsor or participant without
the commissioner's approval. The commissioner shall not approve such
sale, exchange or other transfer if it would result in insolvency or
impairment with respect to a protected cell;

311 (6) (A) Except as otherwise specified, each sponsored captive 312 insurance company shall attribute assets and liabilities to the protected 313 cells and the general account in accordance with the plan of operation 314 approved by the commissioner, and shall not attribute any other assets 315 or liabilities between its general account and any protected cell or 316 between any protected cells. For purposes of this subdivision, "general 317 account" means all assets and liabilities of a sponsored captive insurance 318 company that are not attributable to a protected cell.

319 (B) Each sponsored captive insurance company shall attribute all

320 insurance obligations, assets and liabilities relating to a reinsurance 321 contract entered into with respect to a protected cell to such protected 322 cell. The performance under such reinsurance contract and any tax 323 benefits, losses, refunds or credits allocated pursuant to a tax allocation 324 agreement to which the sponsored captive insurance company is a 325 party, including any payments made by or due to be made to the 326 sponsored captive insurance company pursuant to the terms of such 327 agreement, shall reflect such obligations, assets and liabilities relating to 328 such reinsurance contract;

329 (7) Each sponsored captive insurance company shall file annually
330 with the commissioner such financial reports as the commissioner shall
331 require, including, but not limited to, accounting statements detailing
332 the financial experience of each protected cell;

(8) Each sponsored captive insurance company shall notify the
commissioner in writing not later than ten business days after any
protected cell becomes insolvent or otherwise unable to meet its claim
or expense obligations;

(9) No participant contract shall take effect without the
commissioner's prior written approval. The addition of each new
protected cell or the withdrawal of any participant or termination of any
existing protected cell shall constitute a change in the sponsored captive
insurance company's plan of operation and shall require the
commissioner's prior written approval;

343 (10) If required by the commissioner, the business written by a 344 sponsored captive insurance company with respect to each protected 345 cell shall be (A) fronted by an insurance company licensed under the 346 laws of any state, (B) reinsured by a reinsurer authorized or approved 347 by this state, or (C) secured by a trust fund in the United States for the 348 benefit of policyholders and claimants or funded by an irrevocable letter 349 of credit or other arrangement that is acceptable to the commissioner. 350 The commissioner may require the sponsored captive insurance 351 company to increase the funding of any security arrangement 352 established under this subdivision. If the form of security is a letter of

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353 credit, the letter of credit shall be issued or confirmed by a bank
354 approved by the commissioner. A trust maintained pursuant to this
355 subdivision shall be established in a form and upon such terms
356 approved by the commissioner; and

(11) A protected cell of a sponsored captive insurance company may,
with the commissioner's prior written approval, establish one or more
separate accounts and may allocate assets to such accounts to provide
for the insurance risks of one or more participants, or controlled
unaffiliated business of such participants, subject to the following:

(A) The income, gains and losses, realized or unrealized, from assets
allocated to a separate account shall be credited to or charged against
the account, without regard to other income, gains or losses of the
protected cell;

(B) Amounts allocated to a separate account pursuant to this
subdivision are owned by the protected cell and such protected cell shall
not be, nor hold itself out to be, a trustee with respect to such amounts;

369 (C) Unless otherwise approved by the commissioner, assets allocated
370 to a separate account shall be valued in accordance with the laws and
371 regulations of this state otherwise applicable to the protected cell's
372 assets;

373 (D) To the extent provided under the applicable contracts, such 374 portion of the assets of any such protected cell equal to the reserves and 375 other contract liabilities with respect to such account shall not be 376 chargeable with liabilities arising out of any other business the protected 377 cell may conduct;

(E) No sale, exchange or other transfer of assets may be made by any protected cell between any of such protected cell's separate accounts or between any other investment account and one or more of such protected cell's separate accounts unless, in the case of a transfer into a separate account, such transfer is made solely to establish the account or to support the operation of the contracts with respect to the separate account to which the transfer is made, and unless such transfer, whether
into or from a separate account, is made (i) by a transfer of cash, or (ii)
by a transfer of securities that has a readily determinable market value,
provided such transfer of securities is approved by the commissioner.
The commissioner may approve other transfers among such accounts if
the commissioner determines such transfers would be equitable; and

390 (F) To the extent any protected cell deems it necessary for compliance 391 with any applicable federal or state laws, such protected cell, with 392 respect to any separate account, including, but not limited to, any 393 separate account that is a management investment company or a unit 394 investment trust, may provide for persons having an interest therein 395 appropriate voting and other rights and special procedures for the 396 conduct of the business of such account, including, but not limited to, 397 special rights and procedures relating to investment policy, investment 398 advisory services, selection of independent public accountants and the 399 selection of a committee to manage the business of such account. Such 400 committee members are not required to be affiliated with such protected 401 cell.

402 (b) Each sponsored captive insurance company may combine the 403 assets of two or more protected cells for purposes of investment and 404 such combination shall not be construed as defeating the segregation of 405 such assets for accounting or other purposes. Each sponsored captive 406 insurance company shall comply with all applicable investment requirements under this chapter, except that the commissioner shall 407 408 waive compliance with such requirements for sponsored captive 409 insurance companies to the extent that credit for reinsurance ceded to 410 reinsurers is allowed pursuant to section 38a-91kk. The commissioner 411 may approve the use of alternative reliable methods of valuation and 412 rating for purposes of this subsection.

(c) Each sponsored captive insurance company, including a
sponsored captive insurance company licensed as a special purpose
financial captive insurance company, may establish and maintain one
or more protected cells as a separate corporation formed under chapter

417 601 or a limited liability company formed under chapter 613. This 418 section shall not be construed to limit any rights or protections 419 applicable to protected cells not established as corporations or limited 420 liability companies.

421 (d) (1) Each sponsored captive insurance company may establish and 422 maintain a protected cell as an incorporated protected cell.

423 (2) The articles of incorporation or articles of organization of an 424 incorporated protected cell shall refer to the sponsored captive 425 insurance company for which it is a protected cell and shall state that 426 the protected cell is incorporated or organized for the limited purposes 427 authorized by the sponsored captive insurance company's license. Such 428 company shall attach to and file with the articles of incorporation or 429 articles of organization a copy of the commissioner's prior written 430 approval, as required by subdivision (9) of subsection (a) of this section, 431 to add the incorporated protected cell.

432 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 704c:

433 (1) If the commissioner determines in the event of an insolvency of a 434 sponsored captive insurance company that one or more protected cells 435 remain solvent, the commissioner may separate such cells from such 436 company and may, on application of a sponsor, allow for the conversion 437 of such cells into one or more new or existing sponsored captive 438 insurance companies with a sponsor or sponsors, or one or more other 439 captive insurance companies, pursuant to such plan or plans of 440 operation as the commissioner deems acceptable;

441 (2) Upon the issuance by a court of any order of conservation, 442 rehabilitation or liquidation of a sponsored captive insurance company, 443 the receiver shall manage the assets and liabilities of such company in 444 accordance with the provisions of this section;

445 (3) The assets of a protected cell shall not be used to pay any expenses 446 or claims other than those attributable to such protected cell;

447 (4) A sponsored captive insurance company's capital and surplus sHB6433 / File No. 63 15 shall be available at all times to pay any expenses of or claims againstsuch company;

(5) In connection with the conservation, rehabilitation or liquidation
of a sponsored captive insurance company, the assets and liabilities of
each protected cell shall at all times be kept separate from, and shall not
be commingled with, the assets and liabilities of any other protected cell
or the sponsored captive insurance company;

455 (6) Unless the sponsor consents and the commissioner has granted 456 prior written approval, the assets of a sponsored captive insurance 457 company's general account shall not be used to pay any expense or claim 458 attributable solely to one or more protected cells of the sponsored 459 captive insurance company. If the assets of a sponsored captive 460 insurance company's general account are used to pay expenses or claims 461 attributable solely to one or more of the company's protected cells, the 462 sponsor shall not be required to contribute additional capital and 463 surplus to the company's general account. Notwithstanding any 464 provision of this subdivision, the sponsor shall satisfy the minimum 465 capital and surplus requirements applicable to such sponsor in order to 466 maintain its license; and

467 (7) A sponsored captive insurance company's capital and surplus468 shall at all times be available to pay any expense of, or claim against, the469 sponsored captive insurance company.

(f) Consistent with the provisions of this section, a creditor of a
sponsored captive insurance company shall have recourse against any
asset attributable to a protected cell if it is a creditor of the protected cell.
A creditor of a protected cell shall not have any recourse against any
asset attributable to another protected cell or in the sponsored captive
insurance company's general account.

(g) When a sponsored captive insurance company has an obligation
to a creditor arising from a transaction, or otherwise imposed, with
respect to a particular protected cell, the obligation shall:

(1) Extend only to the assets attributable to the protected cell, and thecreditor shall be entitled to recourse only against the assets attributableto such protected cell; and

(2) Not extend to any asset of another protected cell or in the
sponsored captive insurance company's general account, and the
creditor shall not be entitled to recourse against any asset attributable to
another protected cell or in the company's general account.

(h) When an obligation of a sponsored captive insurance company
relates solely to such company's general account, a creditor shall, with
respect to such obligation, be entitled to recourse only against the assets
in such account.

(i) The establishment of one or more protected cells alone, without
more, shall not, by itself, constitute (1) a fraudulent conveyance, (2)
evidence of intent by a sponsored captive insurance company to
defraud creditors, or (3) the conduct of business by a sponsored captive
insurance company for any other fraudulent purpose.

(j) (1) In the event of an insolvency of any protected cell of a
sponsored captive insurance company, the commissioner may separate
such protected cell from the sponsored captive insurance company and
allow for the conversion of such protected cell into a new protected cell
of another sponsored captive insurance company or into a captive
insurance company.

501 (2) Any such conversion of a protected cell, in accordance with the 502 provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection, shall be deemed to be a 503 continuation of such protected cell's existence together with all of such protected cell's assets, rights, benefits, obligations and liabilities as a 504 505 new protected cell or captive insurance company, as applicable. Any 506 such conversion of a protected cell shall be deemed to occur without any 507 transfer or assignment of such protected cell's assets, rights, benefits, 508 obligations or liabilities, and without the creation of any reversionary interest in, or impairment of, any such assets, rights, benefits, 509 510 obligations or liabilities.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2025	38a-91aa
Sec. 2	October 1, 2025	38a-9100(a)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 4	October 1, 2025	38a-91rr

**INS** Joint Favorable Subst.

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

## **OFA Fiscal Note**

### State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Insurance Dept.	IF - Potential	Minimal	Minimal
	Revenue Gain		

Note: IF=Insurance Fund

### Municipal Impact: None

### Explanation

The bill, which expands the applicability of the insurance penalty provision to include captive insurance companies, results in a potential revenue gain to the Insurance Fund beginning in FY 26. The revenue gain is expected to be minimal since compliance is expected.

Other sections of the bill modify requirements regarding the captive insurance industry and result in no fiscal impact because the Insurance Department does not anticipate a meaningful increase in workload.

### The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of captive insurance company violations.

# OLR Bill Analysis

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# AN ACT CONCERNING CAPTIVE INSURANCE.

# SUMMARY

This bill makes various changes in laws related to captive insurers (see BACKGROUND) by generally allowing:

- 1. a captive insurance company domiciled in the state, with the insurance commissioner's prior written approval, to convert into a protected cell;
- 2. a sponsored captive insurance company, with prior consent of certain relevant entities and the commissioner's approval, to sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise convey a protected cell to a new or existing sponsored captive insurance company or one licensed as a special purpose financial insurance company; and
- 3. the insurance commissioner to separate any insolvent protected cell from the sponsored captive insurance company, and the insolvent protected cell to convert into a new protected cell or a captive insurance company.

It also subjects captive insurance companies to the general penalty under existing law if they violate any provision of the insurance title for which no other penalty is provided. By law, this general penalty is a fine up to \$15,000.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2025

# CONVERSION TO PROTECTED CELL

# Eligibility

The bill allows any captive insurance company domiciled in the state to convert into a protected cell if it (1) is organized as an agency captive insurance company, association captive insurance company, industrial insured captive insurance company, pure captive insurance company, risk retention group, or special purpose financial insurance company and (2) has the commissioner's prior written approval.

## Laws That Govern the Conversion

The captive insurance company must perform the conversion under the laws applicable to business corporations, limited liability companies, or any other type of legal entity allowed under state law, as applicable.

## Effect of the Conversion

Under the bill, the conversion is subject to the captive insurancerelated statutes and the captive insurance company's plan of operation approved by the commissioner, but it does not affect the converted captive insurance company's assets, rights, benefits, obligations, or liabilities.

The bill deems the captive insurance company's conversion into a protected cell to be a continuation of the company's existence with all its assets, rights, benefits, obligations, and liabilities as a protected cell. The conversion occurs without transferring, assigning, impairing, or creating a reversionary interest in the captive insurance company's assets, rights, benefits, obligations, or liabilities.

The bill specifies that a captive insurance company's conversion does not limit any of the rights or protections that the company had under certain laws relating to its licensure as a captive insurance company before the conversion.

# CONVEYANCE OF PROTECTED CELL Eligibility

The bill allows any sponsored captive insurance company, including those licensed as a special purpose financial insurance company, to sell, transfer, assign or otherwise convey a protected cell, together with all of the protected cell's assets, rights, benefits, obligations, and liabilities, to a new or existing sponsored captive insurance company or one licensed as a special purpose financial insurance company. The company must do so according to any plan of operation approved by the commissioner.

### Prerequisites

Under the bill, to convey the protected cell as described above, the (1) company must get (a) the affected incorporated protected cell's consent or (b) prior consent from each participant of the affected protected cell or as otherwise allowed under a participation agreement, (2) sponsor must file an application, and (3) commissioner must approve in writing.

### Effect of the Sale, Transfer, Assignment, or Conveyance

The bill deems any sale, transfer, assignment, or conveyance of a protected cell (as described above) as a continuation of the protected cell's existence, with all its assets, rights, benefits, obligations, and liabilities, as a protected cell of the transferee sponsored captive insurance company.

Under the bill, the sale, transfer, assignment, or conveyance of a protected cell does not limit any rights or protections that the transferred protected cell and the transferor sponsored captive insurance company or sponsored captive insurance company licensed as a special purpose financial insurance company had under applicable insurance laws immediately before the sale, transfer, assignment, or conveyance date.

### SEPARATION OF INSOLVENT PROTECTED CELL

The bill allows the (1) insurance commissioner to separate any insolvent protected cell from the sponsored captive insurance company and (2) insolvent protected cell to convert into a captive insurance company or a new protected cell of another sponsored captive insurance company.

The bill deems the conversion of the insolvent protected cell as a continuation of its existence as a new protected cell or captive insurance company, as applicable. Under the bill, the conversion occurs without transferring, assigning, impairing, or creating a reversionary interest in

the protected cell's assets, rights, benefits, obligations, or liabilities.

## BACKGROUND

## **Captive Insurers**

Generally, a captive insurer is an insurance company formed to insure or reinsure the risks of its owners, parent company, or affiliated company. Existing law allows several different types of captive insurers to be licensed and operate in the state. One type, a sponsored captive insurer, is an insurance company that (1) has the minimum paid-in capital and surplus provided by one or more sponsors, (2) insures its participants through separate participant contracts, and (3) funds its liability to each participant through protected cells and separates each cell's assets from that of other cells and the captive insurer as a whole.

# COMMITTEE ACTION

Insurance and Real Estate Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 13 Nay 0 (02/20/2025)