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AN ACT Relating to accounting standards under the insurance code; adding a new section to chapter 48.05 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.36A RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 48.43 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 48.05 RCW 6 to read as follows:

7 The insurance commissioner shall adopt by rule accounting standards for insurer financial statements that are substantially similar to the 8 9 codification of statutory accounting principles as adopted by the 10 national association of insurance commissioners. Contrary provisions of this title, particularly in chapters 48.12 and 48.13 RCW, shall 11 12 prevail over the statutory accounting principles adopted by the 13 national association of insurance commissioners. The rule shall list 14 differences between the rule and the statutory accounting principles 15 adopted by the national association of insurance commissioners. The 16 commissioner shall update the rule periodically as necessary to 17 maintain substantial similarity to the statutory accounting principles 18 adopted by the national association of insurance commissioners.

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<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 48.36A RCW
to read as follows:

3 The insurance commissioner shall adopt by rule accounting standards 4 for fraternal benefit society financial statements that are substantially similar to the codification of statutory accounting 5 principles as adopted by the national association of insurance 6 7 commissioners. Contrary provisions of this title, particularly in 8 chapters 48.12 and 48.13 RCW, shall prevail over the statutory 9 accounting principles adopted by the national association of insurance The rule shall list differences between the rule and 10 commissioners. the statutory accounting principles adopted by the national association 11 of insurance commissioners. The commissioner shall update the rule 12 13 periodically as necessary to maintain substantial similarity to the statutory accounting principles adopted by the national association of 14 15 insurance commissioners.

16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 48.43 RCW 17 to read as follows:

18 The insurance commissioner shall adopt by rule accounting standards for health carrier financial statements that are substantially similar 19 to the codification of statutory accounting principles as adopted by 20 the national association of insurance commissioners. 21 Contrary provisions of this title, particularly in chapters 48.12 and 48.13 RCW, 22 23 shall prevail over the statutory accounting principles adopted by the 24 national association of insurance commissioners. The rule shall list 25 differences between the rule and the statutory accounting principles adopted by the national association of insurance commissioners. The 26 27 commissioner shall update the rule periodically as necessary to maintain substantial similarity to the statutory accounting principles 28 29 adopted by the national association of insurance commissioners.

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