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HOUSE BILL 2419

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the exemption to the three-year active
- 2 transacting requirement for foreign or alien insurer applicants; and
- 3 amending RCW 48.05.105.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 48.05.105 and 1967 c 150 s 2 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) No certificate of authority shall be granted to a foreign or 8 alien applicant that has not actively transacted for three years the 9 classes of insurance for which it seeks to be admitted((; except, the foregoing shall)).
- 11 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to the following:
- 12 <u>(a) Any subsidiary of a seasoned, reputable insurer that has held</u>
- 13 a certificate of authority in this state for at least three years; or
- 14 (b) Any applicant that:
- 15 (i) Has surplus of not less than twenty-five million dollars; and
- 16 (ii) Has made a deposit with the commissioner in the amount of one
- 17 million dollars for the sole benefit of the applicant's Washington
- 18 policyholders.

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- (a) The certificate of authority was issued at least three years prior to application for release of the deposit; and
 - (b) The insurer is in good standing with the commissioner.

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