GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1999

SENATE BILL 389 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE 1998 CHANGE IN THE LAW GOVERNING THE FILING OF FINANCIAL REPORTS BY SMALL TOWN OR COUNTY MUTUALS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 58-2-165 reads as rewritten:

"§ 58-2-165. Annual, semiannual, monthly, or quarterly statements to be filed with Commissioner.

Every Except as provided in subsection (a1) of this section, every insurance (a) company shall file in the Commissioner's office, on or before March 1 of each year, a statement showing the business standing and financial condition of the company, association, or order on the preceding December 31, signed and sworn to by the chief managing agent or officer thereof, before the Commissioner or some officer authorized by law to administer oaths. Provided, the Commissioner may, for good and sufficient cause shown by an applicant company, extend the filing date of the company's annual statement, for a reasonable period of time, not to exceed 30 days. In addition, except as provided in subsection (a1) of this section, the Commissioner may require any insurance company, association, or order to file its statement semiannually, quarterly, or monthly, except that a town or county mutual, organized under G.S. 58-7-75(5)d., is required to file only an annual statement or an audited financial statement that was prepared by a certified public accountant if for the preceding year it had a direct written premium of less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and fewer than 400 policyholders. monthly.

(a1) A town or county mutual, organized under G.S. 58-7-75(5)d., is required to file only an annual statement or an audited financial statement that was prepared by a certified public accountant if for the preceding year it had a direct written premium of less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and fewer than 400 policyholders. The Commissioner shall not require those mutuals to file statements

semiannually, quarterly, or monthly.

(b) The Commissioner may require statements under this section, G.S. 58-2-170, and G.S. 58-2-190 to be filed in a format that can be read by electronic data processing equipment. equipment, provided that this subsection does not apply to an audited financial statement prepared by a certified public accountant that is submitted by a town

or county mutual pursuant to subsection (a1) of this section.

(c) All-Except as provided herein, all statements filed under this section must be prepared in accordance with the appropriate NAIC Annual Statement Instructions Handbook and pursuant to the NAIC Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual and on the NAIC Model Financial Statement Blank, unless further modified by the Commissioner as the Commissioner considers to be appropriate. This subsection does not apply to statements filed by a town or county mutual organized under G.S. 58-7-75(5)d. if for the preceding year it had a direct written premium of less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and fewer than 400 policyholders."

Section 2. This act is effective retroactively to October 30, 1998.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9th day of June, 1999.

		Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate	
		James B. Black Speaker of the House of Representative	S
		James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor	
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