

The legal minimum standard for valuation of industrial policies issued subsequent to the thirty-first day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, shall be the American Experience Table of Mortality, with three and one-half percent interest per annum, according to the net level premium method or in accordance with their terms by the modified preliminary term method hereinabove described, provided, that any insurer may value its industrial policies on the basis of the Standard Industrial or the Substandard Industrial Mortality Table, or such other table or tables of mortality as may be approved by the Commissioner, according to the net level premium method, or in accordance with their terms by the modified preliminary term method hereinabove described.

The Commissioner may, in his discretion, upon the request of any life insurer so reporting to him, cause the net value of all or any number of policies in force in such insurer to be calculated upon a higher basis of reserve than that prescribed above by the assumption of a lower rate of interest than that prescribed, or the assumption of a higher rate of mortality by the substitution of the Actuaries Table of Mortality for the American Experience Table of Mortality or otherwise as the circumstances of the case may require; provided, that in no case shall the net value so ascertained and taken as a basis of reserve be less than that determined by the standard of valuation above prescribed; and in every certificate of the valuation of policies issued by the Commissioner the basis upon which the valuation is calculated shall be stated, if so requested by the insurer.

(3) This subsection shall apply to only those policies and contracts issued on or after the operative date of § 414 (the Standard Nonforfeiture Law), except as otherwise provided in [paragraph] PARAGRAPHS (a-2) AND (A-3) of this subsection for group annuity and pure endowment contracts issued prior to the operative date.

(a-1) Except as otherwise provided in [paragraph] PARAGRAPHS (a-2) AND (A-3) of this subsection, the minimum standard for the valuation of all such policies and contracts shall be the commissioners reserve valuation methods defined in paragraphs (b-1), (b-2), and (e), 3 1/2 percent interest, or in the case of policies and contracts, other than annuity and pure endowment contracts, issued on or after July 1, 1978, 4 percent interest for such policies issued prior to July 1, 1980, and 4 1/2 percent interest for policies issued on or after July 1, 1980, and the following tables:

(i) For all ordinary policies of life insurance issued on the standard basis, excluding any disability and accidental death benefits in such policies--the Commissioners 1941 Standard Ordinary Mortality