- (2) IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS IMPOSED ON STOCK INSURERS UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND ANY OTHER LAW RELATING TO REGULATION AND SUPERVISION OF INSURERS: AND
- (3) MAY NOT EXERCISE ANY RIGHTS OF PRIVILEGES THAT OTHER STOCK-INSURANCE COMPANIES MAY NOT EXERCISE.

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A MUTUAL COMPANY MAY NOT ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF INSURANCE AS A STOCK COMPANY UNLESS IT COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

A MUTUAL COMPANY, BY ENDORSEMENT OR RIDER APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER AND SENT TO A POLICYHOLDER, MAY SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH OR AT ANY TIME AFTER ADDITION OF A PLAN AMEND ANY OUTSTANDING INSURANCE POLICY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTINGUISHING THE RIGHT OF THE HOLDER OF THE POLICY TO SHARE IN THE SURPLUS OF THE MUTUAL COMPANY-UNLESS:

- (1) THE PLAN-IS NOT SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSIONER:
- (2) THE COMMISSIONER DISAPPROVES-THE PLAN; OR
- (3) THE PLAN IS NOT APPROVED BY ELIGIBLE MEMBERS ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSIONER.

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THIS SUBTITLE IS THE INSURANCE COMPANY MUTUAL TO STOCK CONVERSION ACT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER-ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

<u>SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take</u> <u>effect October 1, 1997.</u>

Approved April 8, 1997.