- (6) "SMALL EMPLOYER" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 15 1201(M) OF THIS TITLE.
- (7) (5) "SPECIFIC ATTACHMENT POINT" MEANS THE <u>DOLLAR</u> AMOUNT FOR A <u>IN LOSSES ATTRIBUTABLE TO A SINGLE INDIVIDUAL BENEFICIARY SINGLE LOSS</u> IN A POLICY YEAR <u>ABOVE BEYOND</u> WHICH THE <u>STOP-LOSS</u> INSURER ASSUMES ALL OR PART OF THE LIABILITY FOR <u>BENEFITS PAYABLE LOSSES INCURRED</u> BY THE <u>HEALTH PLAN</u> INSURED.
- (8) (6) "STOP-LOSS INSURANCE" MEANS INSURANCE PROVIDED TO AN EMPLOYER, OR TRUSTEE OR ASSOCIATION ON BEHALF OF AN EMPLOYER, AGAINST LIABILITY FOR BENEFITS PAYABLE BY A HEALTH PLAN THAT IS PURCHASED BY A PERSON, OTHER THAN A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, TO PROTECT THE PERSON AGAINST CATASTROPHIC, EXCESS, OR UNEXPECTED LOSSES SUSTAINED BY THE PERSON.
- (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO EACH STOP-LOSS INSURANCE POLICY OR CONTRACT THAT IS DELIVERED OR ISSUED FOR DELIVERY IN THE STATE $\frac{TO \cdot A \cdot SMALL}{EMPLOYER}$.
- (C) AN INSURER MAY NOT ISSUE, DELIVER, OR OFFER A POLICY OR CONTRACT SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION MAY NOT HAVE OF STOP-LOSS INSURANCE, IF THE POLICY HAS:
 - (1) A SPECIFIC ATTACHMENT POINT OF LESS THAN \$10,000; OR
- (2) AN AGGREGATE ATTACHMENT POINT OF LESS THAN 115% OF EXPECTED CLAIMS.
- $\underline{\rm (D)}$ AN INSURER WHO OFFERS OR ISSUES A STOP-LOSS INSURANCE POLICY THAT DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE SANCTIONS SET FORTH IN \S 4–113 OF THIS ARTICLE FOR AUTHORIZED INSURERS AND \S 4–212 OF THIS ARTICLE FOR UNAUTHORIZED INSURERS.
 - (E) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS:
- (2) TREATING ANY STOP-LOSS POLICY AS A DIRECT POLICY OF HEALTH INSURANCE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.