INTERSTATE INSURANCE PRODUCT REGULATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

Date Issued: September 5, 2023

Proposed Uniform Standard: Additional Standards for Graded Death Benefit for Whole Life Insurance Policies and Certificates For Employer Groups

- 1. **Purpose of Proposed New Rules**: The Additional Standards for Graded Death Benefit for Whole Life Insurance Policies and Certificates For Employer Groups apply to graded death benefits that are built into group whole life insurance policies and certificates or added to such policies and certificates by rider, endorsement or amendment. These standards provide early duration reduced death benefits where the period during which benefits for death from natural causes are reduced relative to some ultimate amount is not more than three years.
- 2. Legal Authority: The Commission is authorized to create uniform standards for products by Article IV, Section 2 of the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact, as enacted into law by each compacting state.
- 3. **Text of Proposed New Rules**: The Proposed Standards are available on the Commission's web site (<u>www.insurancecompact.org</u>) and included with this notice as a separate document.
- 4. Where, When, and How Persons May Present Their Views: The Management Committee for the Commission will accept written comment on the Proposed Standards until November 7, 2023. Written comments may be delivered via electronic mail to <u>comments@insurancecompact.org</u>, or via mail to the Management Committee c/o Karen Schutter, 444 North Capitol Street, NW, Suite 700 Hall of States, Washington DC 20001-1509.
- 5. Where, When, and How Persons May Request a Public Hearing: Written requests for a public hearing on the Proposed Standards must be received no later than September 25, 2023. Persons who may request a public hearing are Commission members, the Management Committee, the Legislative Committee, the Consumer Advisory Committee, the Industry Advisory Committee, or a person or organization representing at least 25 persons affected by the Proposed Standards. Written requests may be delivered via electronic mail to <u>comments@insurancecompact.org</u>, or via mail to the Management Committee c/o Karen Schutter, Executive Director, 444 North Capitol Street, NW, Suite 700 Hall of States, Washington DC 20001-1509.