ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 555—ASSEMBLYMEN MANENDO, KOIVISTO, BACHE, CLABORN, MORTENSON, GOLDWATER, NEIGHBORS, LESLIE, GIBBONS, PRICE, FREEMAN, GUSTAVSON, BERMAN, MCCLAIN, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, OHRENSCHALL, NOLAN, PERKINS, WILLIAMS, CHOWNING, HUMKE, EVANS, THOMAS, SEGERBLOM, COLLINS, PARKS, GIUNCHIGLIANI, ARBERRY, ANDERSON, LEE, BROWER, DE BRAGA, DINI, BEERS, PARNELL, ANGLE, TIFFANY, VON TOBEL, MARVEL, HETTRICK AND CEGAVSKE

MARCH 15, 1999

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS TITUS, WIENER, RAWSON, AMODEI, CARE AND WASHINGTON

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Partially exempts issuance of charitable-gift annuities from regulation as insurance. (BDR 57-1348)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to charitable annuities; excluding them from the categories of insurance and securities; requiring certain reports; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Chapter 688A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 2. As used in sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 5 1. "Charitable-gift annuity" means an annuity payable over one or 6 two lives issued by a charitable organization in return for a transfer of
- 7 money or property by the donor, if the actuarial value of the annuity is

- less than the value of the money or property transferred and the difference in value is deductible as a charitable contribution for purposes 3 of federal taxes.
- "Charitable organization" means an artificial person described as such in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3), or Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 170(c).
- "Qualified charitable-gift annuity" means a charitable-gift annuity described in Section 501(m)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 501(m)(5), and Section 514(c)(5) of the Internal 11 Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 514(c)(5), which is issued by a 12 charitable organization that on the date of issuance:
 - (a) Owns at least \$300,000 worth of money, cash equivalents or publicly traded securities, exclusive of the amount transferred to it in return for the annuity; and
- (b) Has operated continuously for at least 3 years or is a successor or 16 affiliate of a charitable organization that has operated continuously for 17 at least 3 years. 18
- Sec. 3. The issuance of a qualified charitable-gift annuity does not 19 constitute transacting insurance in this state. A charitable-gift annuity issued before October 1, 1999, is a qualified charitable-gift annuity for 22 the purposes of sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 4. In an agreement to issue a qualified charitable-gift annuity, 24 the charitable organization shall disclose in writing to the donor that the annuity is not insurance under the laws of this state, is not subject to regulation by the commissioner and is not protected by an insurance guaranty association. The disclosure must be made in a separate paragraph and may not be in a size of type smaller than used generally in the agreement.
- Sec. 5. 1. A charitable organization that issues qualified 30 charitable-gift annuities shall notify the commissioner in writing on or 31 32 before December 30, 1999, or the expiration of 90 days after it first enters into an agreement to issue a qualified charitable-gift annuity, 34 whichever is later. The notice must:
 - (a) Be signed by an officer or director of the organization;
 - (b) Identify the organization; and

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- (c) Certify that the organization is a charitable organization and that 37 the annuities are qualified charitable-gift annuities.
- Unless the commissioner demands information to determine the 39 amount of a penalty under section 6 of this act, the organization need submit no other information.

- Sec. 6. 1. Failure of a charitable organization to comply with the requirements of section 4 or 5 of this act for disclosure or notice, or both, does not disqualify an annuity that otherwise constitutes a qualified charitable-gift annuity.
- 2. The commissioner may demand, by certified mail with return receipt requested, that the organization comply with those requirements, and may impose a fine of not more than \$1,000 for each charitable-gift annuity issued before compliance is complete.

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