AN ACT concerning insurance; relating to life insurance companies; designating trust companies as nominee; amending K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 40-2b20 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 40-2b20 is hereby amended to read as follows: 40-2b20. (a) Any life insurance company organized under any law of this state, with the direction or approval of a majority of its board of directors, may:

(1) Adopt a nominee name unique to such insurance company in which such insurance company’s securities may be registered;

(2) designate a state or national bank, a trust company or a federal home loan bank having trust powers to obtain a nominee name for such insurance company in which such insurance company’s securities may be registered; or

(3) designate a state or national bank or a trust company having trust powers as trustee to make any investment authorized by this act in the name of such trustee or such trustee’s nominee.

(b) Under the provisions of paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a), the designated state or national bank, the trust company or the federal home loan bank may arrange for such securities to be held in a clearing corporation. Such arrangement must be in accordance with a written agreement, approved by the commissioner of insurance, between the insurance company and its designated bank or trust company and must impose the same degree of responsibility on the bank or trust company as if such securities were held in definitive form by such bank or trust company.

(c) As used in this section “clearing corporation” means: (1) A corporation defined in subsection (3) of K.S.A. 84-8-102, and amendments thereto;

(2) any organization or system for the clearance and settlement of securities transactions which is operated or owned by a bank, trust company or other entity that is subject to regulation by the United States federal reserve board or the United States comptroller of the currency; or

(3) any clearing agency registered with the securities and exchange commission pursuant to the securities exchange act of 1934, section 17A, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 40-2b20 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

Passed the HOUSE

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

APPROVED

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Governor