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40-4502. Definitions. As used in this act:

(a) "Actuary" means a person who is a member in good standing of the American academy of actuaries.

(b) "Controlling person" means any person, firm, association or corporation who directly or indirectly has the power to direct or cause to be directed, the management, control or activities of the reinsurance intermediary.

(c) "Insurer" means any person, firm, association or corporation duly licensed in this state, pursuant to chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, as an insurer.

(d) "Licensed producer" means an agent or reinsurance intermediary licensed pursuant to the applicable provision of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.

(e) "Reinsurance intermediary" means a reinsurance intermediary-broker or a reinsurance intermediary-manager as these terms are defined in subsections (f) and (g).

(f) "Reinsurance intermediary-broker" or "reinsurance broker" means any person, other than an officer or employee of the ceding insurer, firm, association or corporation who solicits, negotiates or places reinsurance cessions or retrocessions on behalf of a ceding insurer without the authority or power to bind reinsurance on behalf of such insurer.

(g) "Reinsurance intermediary-manager" or "reinsurance manager" means any person, firm, association or corporation who has authority to bind or manages all or part of the assumed reinsurance business of a reinsurer, including the management of a separate division, department or underwriting office, and acts as an agent for such reinsurer whether known as a reinsurance manager, manager or other similar term. Notwithstanding the above, the following persons shall not be considered a reinsurance manager, with respect to such reinsurer, for the purposes of this act:

(1) An employee of the reinsurer;

(2) a U.S. manager of the United States branch of an alien reinsurer;

(3) an underwriting manager who, pursuant to contract, manages all the reinsurance operations of the reinsurer, is under common control with the reinsurer, subject to the holding company act, and whose compensation is not based on the volume of premiums written;

(4) the manager of a group, association, pool or organization of insurers which engage in joint underwriting or joint reinsurance and who are subject to examination by the chief insurance regulatory official of the state in which the manager's principal business office is located.

(h) "Reinsurer" means any person, firm, association or corporation duly licensed in this state pursuant to chapter 40 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated as an insurer with the authority to assume reinsurance.

(i) "To be in violation" means that the reinsurance intermediary, insurer or reinsurer for whom the reinsurance intermediary was acting failed to substantially comply with the provisions of this act.

(j) For purposes of this act, a "qualified United States financial institution" means an institution that:

(1) Is organized or, in the case of a United States office of a foreign banking organization licensed, under the laws of the United States or any state thereof;

(2) is regulated, supervised and examined by United States federal or state authorities having regulatory authority over banks and trust companies; and

(3) has been determined by either the commissioner, or the securities valuation office of the national association of insurance commissioners, to meet such standards of financial condition and standing as are considered necessary and appropriate to regulate the quality of financial institutions whose letters of credit will be acceptable to the commissioner.

(k) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of insurance of this state.

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