Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 2450

BY: Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5 SECTION 1. Section 83-34-4, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 6 amended as follows:

7 83-34-4. (1) Nonadmitted insurers shall not be assessable 8 insurers of the association. All surplus lines insurance 9 producers placing insurance through nonadmitted insurers shall 10 collect from the insured and remit to the association a 11 nonadmitted policy fee on all premiums for all insurance written 12 by such surplus lines insurance producer for a policy from a 13 nonadmitted insurer for any and all risks in this state, except 14 that policies or portions thereof that cover residential

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15 earthquake risks or residential flood risks that are not written 16 through the National Flood Insurance Program shall be exempt from 17 the nonadmitted policy fee. By procuring or selling insurance on 18 property in this state from a nonadmitted insurer, each surplus 19 lines insurance producer placing insurance through a nonadmitted 20 insurer agrees to be bound by the provisions of this chapter and to collect and remit the nonadmitted policy fee provided for 21 22 herein.

(2) The nonadmitted policy fee shall be a percentage of the
total policy premium but the nonadmitted policy fee shall not be
considered premium and is not subject to premium taxes or
commissions. However, failure to pay the nonadmitted policy fee
shall be treated the same as failure to pay premium. "Total
policy premium" includes taxes and commissions.

(3) The nonadmitted policy fee percentage shall be threepercent (3%).

31 Within twenty (20) days of the end of the quarter, (4) surplus lines insurance producers placing insurance through 32 33 nonadmitted insurers shall remit directly to the association all 34 nonadmitted policy fees collected in the preceding quarter. In 35 addition to the nonadmitted policy fee provided for herein, 36 surplus lines insurance producers placing insurance through nonadmitted insurers shall collect and remit excess deficit 37 38 surcharges as provided by this chapter. Surplus lines insurance producers placing insurance through nonadmitted insurers may 39

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40 designate another surplus lines insurance producer that actually 41 procured the insurance from the nonadmitted carrier to collect and 42 remit the nonadmitted policy fees.

(5) Each insured in this state who directly procures or renews insurance with a nonadmitted insurer on properties, risks or exposures located or to be performed, in whole or in part, in this state, other than insurance procured through a surplus lines licensee, shall be subject to the nonadmitted policy fee which shall be paid by the insured according to the procedures provided for premium taxes in Section 83-21-17(5).

50 (6) Monies derived from the nonadmitted policy fee collected under this section may be used by the association, in addition to 51 52 any uses provided for in Section 83-34-3(4), for education, public outreach, training of building officials and other programs 53 targeted to reduce the number of policies within the association; 54 55 however, beginning on July 1, 2018, and ending on June 30, 2019, 56 before any fees are remitted to the association, One Million Five 57 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) shall be diverted and 58 deposited into the Capital Expense Fund, and Four Million Five 59 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,500,000.00) shall be diverted and 60 deposited into the Rural Fire Truck Fund or Supplementary Rural Fire Truck Fund. Further, beginning July 1, 2019, and ending on 61 June 30, 2020, before any fees are remitted to the association, 62 63 Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000.00) shall

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64 be diverted and deposited into the Rural Fire Truck Fund or

65 Supplementary Rural Fire Truck Fund.

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67 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 68 and after July 1, 2022.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and

inserting in lieu thereof the following:

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83-34-4, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 2 DELETE THE REPEALER ON THE NONADMITTED POLICY FEE; AND FOR RELATED 3 PURPOSES.