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HOUSE BILL NO. 229

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INSURERS: Authorizes domestic insurers to invest in certain master limited partnerships

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 22:584(D)(3), relative to investments by insurers; to authorize  
3 domestic insurers to invest in certain master limited partnerships; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 22:584(D)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §584. Investments in securities

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9 D. Any domestic insurer, in addition to the investments permitted by  
10 Subsection A of this Section, may invest an amount equal to its capital and surplus  
11 if it is a stock company, and, if it is a company other than stock, it may invest an  
12 amount equal to its surplus over all liabilities as follows:

13 \* \* \*

14 (3) An insurer may invest in, acquire debt obligations of, or otherwise  
15 acquire and hold an interest in any limited partnership, ~~or~~ limited liability company,  
16 or master limited partnership which is formed pursuant to the laws of any state or the  
17 United States of America and which invests in assets otherwise permitted under this  
18 Subpart. No limited partnership interest, limited liability company interest, master  
19 limited partnership interest, or debt obligation shall be acquired under this Section  
20 if the cost thereof would exceed two percent of the assets of such insurer, nor if such

1 cost, plus the book value on the date of such acquisition of all limited partnership  
 2 interests, limited liability interests, master limited partnership interests, or debt  
 3 obligations then held by such insurer and acquired under this Section would exceed  
 4 ten percent of such assets.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes domestic insurers to invest in certain master limited partnerships.

Present law provides with respect to those investments which a domestic insurer may make, including investing, acquiring debt obligations of, or otherwise acquiring and holding an interest in certain limited partnerships or limited liability companies.

Proposed law additionally authorizes domestic insurers to invest in, acquire debt obligations of, or otherwise acquire and hold an interest in certain master limited partnerships.

(Amends R.S. 22:584(D)(3))