## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 1147**

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- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to provide certain requirements
- 2 and exceptions relating to index-linked variable annuities.
- 3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. (1) For purposes of this section, an index-linked
- 2 <u>variable</u> annuity is a variable annuity exempt from the Standard
- 3 Nonforfeiture Law for Individual Deferred Annuities that includes index-
- 4 linked crediting features, either in the contract or added to such
- 5 <u>contract by rider, endorsement, or amendment, that credit interest based</u>
- 6 on the performance of an index, subject to index parameters including,
- 7 but not limited to, caps, participation rates, spreads or margins,
- 8 trigger or step rates, or other crediting elements, and may lose value
- 9 subject to limitations including, but not limited to, a floor or a
- 10 buffer. An index-linked variable annuity may be combined in a single
- 11 <u>contract with a variable annuity with unitized separate accounts, a fixed</u>
- 12 <u>annuity</u>, or both.
- 13 (2) Notwithstanding section 44-2212, a separate investment account
- 14 <u>established to hold assets of index-linked variable annuity contracts may</u>
- 15 be uninsulated and chargeable with any liabilities arising out of any
- 16 other separate investment account or any other business of the company
- 17 which has no specific and determinable relation to or dependence upon
- 18 such separate account.
- 19 (3) If a separate investment account established to hold assets of
- 20 index-linked variable annuity contracts is uninsulated, then the
- 21 following provisions shall apply:
- 22 (a) Notwithstanding section 44-402.02, such separate account is not
- 23 required to have the income, gains, and losses, realized or unrealized,
- 24 from assets allocated to such account credited to or charged against such
- 25 account;
- 26 (b) Notwithstanding section 44-402.03, amounts allocated to such
- 27 <u>separate account and accumulations thereon must be invested and</u>
- 28 reinvested in accordance with the requirements or limitations prescribed
- 29 by the laws of this state governing the investments of life insurance
- 30 companies and the investments in such separate account or accounts shall
- 31 be taken into account in applying investment limitations otherwise

- 1 applicable to investments of such company;
- 2 (c) Notwithstanding sections 44-402.03 and 44-2213, assets, other
- 3 than derivatives, may be held by such separate account, and transferred
- 4 <u>between the general account and such separate account, at book value or</u>
- 5 <u>market value; and</u>
- 6 (d) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of section 44-5103, the assets
- 7 <u>of such separate account are admitted assets.</u>