

Directive No. 91

SURETY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

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Act No. 357 of the 1988 Louisiana Legislative Session requires insurers who request rate increases to make such filings individually, to provide for the functions of the rating organizations and other insurer associations in such rate filings, to provide for effective dates, and to provide for related matters.

Traditionally "Fidelity and Surety" has been considered a distinct and separate line of insurance and is specified as such under L.R.S.22:(6)8.

As "Fidelity and Surety" must use countrywide data because of the lack of credibility of data in the statistical base for Louisiana, the Commissioner of Insurance finds that it was not the intent of the Legislature, in enacting Act No. 357, to have said act apply to the Surety Association of America.

Therefore, the Commissioner of Insurance finds that the Surety Association of America shall be authorized to make filings, including rate filings for their members.

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