

time by the Commissioner for risks rated by the principal fire rating organization in the District of Columbia and applicable to such insurance. On or before April 15, 1970, and on or before April 15 of each succeeding year, the rating organization designated by the association for that purpose shall submit a rate filing in proper form based on the association's loss and expense experience, together with such other information as the Commission may require.

(b) Filed rating rules or plans may continue to provide standards for the application of surcharges for risks containing unsafe or hazardous conditions. Such rating rules or plans shall provide for prompt removal of such surcharges upon the elimination of such unsafe or hazardous conditions.

SEC. 5. All insurers which are members of the association shall participate in its writings, expenses, profits, and losses in the proportion that the net direct premiums of each such member (but excluding that portion of premiums attributable to the operation of the association) written during the preceding calendar year bear to the aggregate net direct premiums written in the District of Columbia by all members of the association. Each insurer's participation in the association shall be determined annually by the Commissioner on the basis of such net direct premiums written during the preceding calendar year as disclosed in the annual statements and other reports filed by the insurer with the Commissioner.

SEC. 6. (a) Upon application by any applicant to the association, any person insured under this Act or his representative, or any affected insurer, the Commissioner shall review any ruling, action, or decision which was made by or on behalf of the association and which the plan of operation makes reviewable by the Commissioner. Any application for review must be made within thirty days after the date the ruling, action, or decision sought to be reviewed was made. The Commissioner may take such action with respect to such ruling, action, or decision as he determines is necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(b) All orders of the Commissioner made under this Act shall be subject to judicial review in the District of Columbia court of Appeals in accordance with chapter 3 of title 17 of the District of Columbia Code.

SEC. 7. (a) Reports of inspection performed by or on behalf of the association shall be available to members of the association, applicants, and the Commissioner.

(b) There shall be no liability on the part of, and no cause of action of any nature shall arise against, the association or its agents or employees, an insurer, or the Commissioner for any statements made in good faith by them in any reports or communications concerning risks insured or to be insured by the association.

SEC. 8. The association shall file in the office of the Commissioner, annually on or before March 1, a statement which shall contain information with respect to its transactions, condition, operations, and affairs during the preceding year. Such statement shall contain such matters and information as are prescribed by the Commissioner and shall be in such form as he may require. The Commissioner may at any time require the association to furnish him with additional information with respect to its transactions, conditions, or any matter connected with its transactions or conditions which he considers to be material and which will assist him in evaluating the scope, operation, and experience of the association.

SEC. 9. The Commissioner may make an examination into the affairs of the association whenever he deems it expedient. The expenses of every such examination shall be borne and paid by the association.

SEC. 10. In order to carry out the purposes of this Act and to make available to insurers who participate hereunder reinsurance against losses resulting from riots or civil disorders afforded under the National Insurance Development Corporation Act of 1968, the Commissioner is authorized to assess each insurance company authorized to do business in the District of Columbia an amount, in the proportion that the premiums written by each such company, on lines reinsured by the National Insurance Development Corporation, during the preceding calendar year bears to the aggregate premiums written on those lines in the District of Columbia by all insurance companies, sufficient to provide a fund to reimburse the Corporation in the manner set forth in section 1223(a)(1) of the National Insurance Development Corporation Act of 1968. Such fund may be added to or such a fund may be created by moneys appropriated therefor by the Congress.

SEC. 11. The Commissioner is authorized to delegate any of the functions vested in him by this Act.

SEC. 12. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this Act.