

## CHAPTER 194

AN ACT concerning domestic fraternal benefit societies and making an appropriation.

**BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. As used in this act:

"Computer date failure" means, with respect to information technology, that the information technology cannot process accurately date/time data including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing and sequencing, from, into and between the years 1999 and 2000 and leap year calculations, to the extent that other information technology, used in combination with the information technology, properly exchanges date/time data with it.

"Society" means a domestic fraternal benefit society as defined by P.L.1997, c.322 (C.17:44B-1 et seq.).

"Net premiums received" means gross premiums written, less return premiums thereon and dividends credited or paid to policyholders, if any.

2. No society shall be required to pay more than one percent of its 1999 net premiums received for an examination required by the Department of Banking and Insurance with respect to computer date failure and Year 2000 readiness.

3. If a society owes or has paid more than the limit set in section 2 of this act, the excess amount shall be paid by the Department of Banking and Insurance or refunded to the society, as applicable, from the funds appropriated pursuant to section 4 of this act.

4. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Banking and Insurance an amount not to exceed \$60,000, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting, as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

5. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved July 31, 2001.