# (b) Severability

If any provision of this section,<sup>1</sup> or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of the section,<sup>1</sup> and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

(Pub. L. 106–102, title III, §314, Nov. 12, 1999, 113 Stat. 1420.)

#### References in Text

This section, referred to in text, probably should be a reference to this subtitle, meaning subtitle B (§§ 311-316) of title III of Pub. L. 106-102, which is classified generally to this subchapter.

# § 6735. Definitions

For purposes of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply:

# (1) Court of competent jurisdiction

The term "court of competent jurisdiction" means a court authorized pursuant to section 6734(a) of this title to adjudicate litigation arising under this subchapter.

#### (2) Domicile

The term "domicile" means the State in which an insurer is incorporated, chartered, or organized.

# (3) Insurance licensee

The term "insurance licensee" means any person holding a license under State law to act as insurance agent, subagent, broker, or consultant.

# (4) Institution

The term "institution" means a corporation, joint stock company, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, association, trust, partnership, or any similar entity.

# (5) Licensed State

The term "licensed State" means any State, the District of Columbia, any territory of the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands in which the redomesticating insurer has a certificate of authority in effect immediately prior to the redomestication.

# (6) Mutual insurer

The term "mutual insurer" means a mutual insurer organized under the laws of any State.

# (7) Person

The term "person" means an individual, institution, government or governmental agency, State or political subdivision of a State, public corporation, board, association, estate, trustee, or fiduciary, or other similar entity.

# (8) Policyholder

The term "policyholder" means the owner of a policy issued by a mutual insurer, except that, with respect to voting rights, the term means a member of a mutual insurer or mutual holding company granted the right to vote, as determined under applicable State law

#### (9) Redomesticated insurer

The term "redomesticated insurer" means a mutual insurer that has redomesticated pursuant to this subchapter.

# (10) Redomesticating insurer

The term "redomesticating insurer" means a mutual insurer that is redomesticating pursuant to this subchapter.

#### (11) Redomestication or transfer

The term "redomestication" or "transfer" means the transfer of the domicile of a mutual insurer from one State to another State pursuant to this subchapter.

# (12) State insurance regulator

The term "State insurance regulator" means the principal insurance regulatory authority of a State, the District of Columbia, any territory of the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

#### (13) State law

The term "State law" means the statutes of any State, the District of Columbia, any territory of the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands and any regulation, order, or requirement prescribed pursuant to any such statute.

# (14) Transferee domicile

The term "transferee domicile" means the State to which a mutual insurer is redomesticating pursuant to this subchapter.

# (15) Transferor domicile

The term "transferor domicile" means the State from which a mutual insurer is redomesticating pursuant to this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 106–102, title III, §315, Nov. 12, 1999, 113 Stat. 1420.)

TERMINATION OF TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

For termination of Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, see note set out preceding section 1681 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

SUBCHAPTER III—NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS

# § 6751. State flexibility in multistate licensing reforms

# (a) In general

The provisions of this subchapter shall take effect unless, not later than 3 years after November 12, 1999, at least a majority of the States—

- (1) have enacted uniform laws and regulations governing the licensure of individuals and entities authorized to sell and solicit the purchase of insurance within the State; or
- (2) have enacted reciprocity laws and regulations governing the licensure of nonresident individuals and entities authorized to sell and solicit insurance within those States.

# (b) Uniformity required

States shall be deemed to have established the uniformity necessary to satisfy subsection (a)(1) of this section if the States—