

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *400*  
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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO EXEMPT INSURANCE OF  
 5 RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS AGAINST CERTAIN HAZARDS AND CAUSES  
 6 FROM OPERATION OF INSURANCE CODE."

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 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Exemption of insurance of religious  
 10 denomination against certain hazards and causes. The members  
 11 of any one church or of any one religious denomination may  
 12 maintain for the exclusive benefit of the members thereof an  
 13 unincorporated association for the mutual insurance of the  
 14 property of the members against loss or damage by fire,  
 15 lightning, hail, storm, flood, explosion, power failure,  
 16 vandalism, theft, burglary, vehicle damage, airplane damage,  
 17 riot and civil commotion, or all of them. The association  
 18 may furnish no insurance except upon the property of an  
 19 actual member of the church or denomination. It may conduct  
 20 its business under the plan and method adopted by it and is  
 21 not required to be licensed by or report to the commissioner  
 22 of insurance.

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