SENATE BILL 286

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING FARM MUTUAL INSURERS TO INCLUDE IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION LIABILITY PROVISIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE MONTANA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT: AND AMENDING SECTION 33-4-202, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 33-4-202, MCA, is amended to read:

"33-4-202. Declaration of intention to incorporate -articles of incorporation -- fee. (1) The individuals proposing to form a farm mutual insurer as referred to in 33-4-201 shall file with the commissioner:

- (a) a declaration of their intention to form such a corporation, which declaration shall must be signed by at least 100 incorporators if a proposed state mutual insurer or by at least 25 incorporators if a proposed county mutual insurer: and
- (b) proposed articles of incorporation executed in quadruplicate by three or more of the incorporators and acknowledged by each before a person authorized to take and verify acknowledgments of conveyance of real property.
 - (2) The articles of incorporation shall must state:
- (a) the name of the corporation. If a state mutual

- insurer, the words "farm mutual" must be a part of the name; if a county mutual insurer, the name shall must contain the 2 words "farm mutual" or "rural mutual", together with the 3 name of the county wherein-is-to-be--located in which its principal place of business is to be located. The name shelt may not be so similar to one already used by a corporation
- (b) if a county mutual insurer, the name of the county or counties in which the corporation is to transact 9 insurance and the address where its principal business 10 11 office will be located:

in this state as to be misleading.

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- 12 (c) if a state mutual insurer, the location of its principal business office, which office must be located in 13 14 this state:
- 15 (d) the objects and purposes for which the corporation is formed: 16
- 17 (e) whether it intends to transact business on the cash 18 premium plan or the assessment plan;
- 19 (f) the duration of its existence, which may perpetual; 20
- (g) the number of its directors, which shall may not be 21 22 less than 5 or more than 11: also the names and addresses of 23 the members of the initial board of directors appointed to manage the affairs of the corporation until the first annual 24 25
 - meeting of the members and until their successors are

elected and qualified;

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- (h) such other provisions, not inconsistent with law, deemed considered appropriate by the incorporators;
- (i) the names, residences, and addresses of the incorporators and the value of the property desired to be insured that is owned by each incorporator in the county or counties where the operations of the corporation are to be carried on.
- 9 (3) In addition to the provisions required in
 10 subsection (2), the articles of incorporation may also
 11 contain provisions not inconsistent with law regarding
 12 liability as set forth in 35-1-216.
 - (4) At the time of filing of the articles of incorporation as provided in subsection (1) above, the incorporators shall pay to the commissioner a filing fee of \$10. The commissioner shall deposit all such filing fees with the state treasurer to the credit of the general fund of this state."

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