

1-1 By: Howard (Senate Sponsor - Janek) H.B. No. 532
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House March 29, 2005;
1-3 March 30, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Business and Commerce; May 2, 2005, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 2, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to certain investments by title insurance companies.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Articles 4.51(5) and (13), Insurance Code, are
1-11 amended to read as follows:

1-12 (5) "Certified investor" means an insurance company or
1-13 other person that has state premium tax liability and [~~other than~~
1-14 ~~a title insurance company,~~] that contributes certified capital
1-15 pursuant to an allocation of premium tax credits under this
1-16 subchapter.

1-17 (13) "State premium tax liability" means:

1-18 (A) any liability incurred by any person under
1-19 Chapter 221, 222, 223, or 224 of this code [~~Subchapter A of this~~
1-20 ~~chapter~~]; or

1-21 (B) if the tax liability imposed under Chapter
1-22 221, 222, 223, or 224 of this code [~~Subchapter A of this chapter on~~
1-23 ~~January 1, 2003,~~] is eliminated or reduced, any tax liability
1-24 imposed on an insurance company or other person that had premium tax
1-25 liability under Subchapter A of this chapter or Article 9.59 of this
1-26 code as those laws existed on January 1, 2003 [~~on that date~~].

1-27 SECTION 2. Section 2551.151, Insurance Code, as effective
1-28 April 1, 2005, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as
1-29 follows:

1-30 (g) A title insurance company may invest in a certified
1-31 capital company in the manner provided by Subchapter B, Chapter 4.

1-32 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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