A Bill

SENATE BILL 290

By: Senator Rapert
By: Representative Collins

For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE TYPE OF ANNUITY CONTRACTS
SUBJECT TO THE UNCLAIMED LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS ACT;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO CLARIFY THE TYPE OF ANNUITY CONTRACTS
SUBJECT TO THE UNCLAIMED LIFE INSURANCE
BENEFITS ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-81-903(1), concerning the definition of "contract" under the Unclaimed Life Insurance Benefits Act, is amended to read as follows:

(1)(A) “Contract” means an annuity contract.
(B) “Contract” does not include:
   (i) an annuity contract used to fund an employment-based retirement plan or program in which an insurer:
      (a) Does not perform recordkeeping services; or
      (b) Is not required to pay death benefits to the beneficiaries of a specific plan participant by terms of the annuity contract; or
   (ii) An annuity used to fund a funeral or related expenses or a prepaid funeral benefits contract;
SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 23-81-903(5), concerning the definition of "policy" under the Unclaimed Life Insurance Benefits Act, is amended to read as follows:

(5)(A) "Policy" means a policy or certificate of life insurance issued in this state that provides a death benefit.

(B) "Policy" does not include:

(i) A policy or certificate of life insurance that provides a death benefit under:

(a) A defined employee benefit pension plan, as defined in Section 3(35) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, Pub. L. No. 93-406; or

(b) Any federal employee benefit program;

(ii) A policy or certificate of life insurance that is used to fund a preneed funeral contract or prearrangement funeral or related expenses or a prepaid funeral benefits contract;

(iii) A policy or certificate of credit life or accidental death insurance; or

(iv) A policy issued to a group master policyholder for which the insurer does not provide recordkeeping services;

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