

**RCW 48.195.005 Purpose—Application.** (1) The purpose of this chapter is to:

(a) Provide the insurance commissioner a summary of an insurer or insurance group's corporate governance structure, policies, and practices to permit the commissioner to gain and maintain an understanding of the insurer's corporate governance framework;

(b) Outline the requirements for completing a corporate governance annual disclosure with the commissioner; and

(c) Provide for the confidential treatment of the corporate governance annual disclosure and related information that will contain confidential and sensitive information related to an insurer or insurance group's internal operations and proprietary and trade secret information which, if made public, could potentially cause the insurer or insurance group competitive harm or disadvantage.

(2) This chapter does not prescribe or impose corporate governance standards and internal procedures beyond that which is required under applicable corporate law. This chapter does not limit the commissioner's authority, or the rights or obligations of third parties, under chapter 48.03 RCW.

(3) This chapter applies to all insurers domiciled in this state. [2018 c 30 § 1.]

**Effective date—2018 c 30:** "(1) The first filing of the corporate governance annual disclosure is 2019.

(2) This act takes effect January 1, 2019." [2018 c 30 § 11.]