Revised ASOP 21 & 23 and the Impact on the Reserving Actuary

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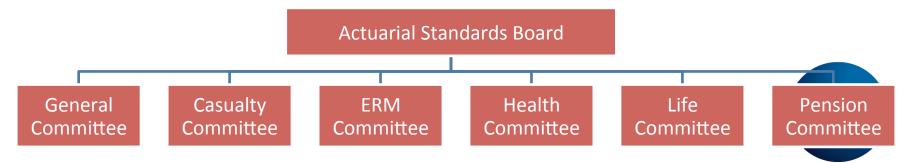
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- The following highlights from selected ASOPs should not substitute for a reading of the actual ASOPs.
- Reading ASOPs counts towards the 3 required professionalism CE credits.



Structure of the ASB

- The ASB has 9 members who are broadly representative of all areas of actuarial practice.
- The Academy Bylaws *require* that the members of the ASB *must* be broadly representative of all areas of actuarial practice.
- ASB members play a standard-setting role, not an advocacy role, and serve the profession rather than any individual interest groups or coalitions.



Standard-Setting Principles

- Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOPs) should provide guidance for appropriate practice, not merely codify current practice or best practice.
- ASOPs set principles to guide actuaries and users of actuarial services, but do not replace professional judgment.
- ASOPs should apply as broadly as possible.
- Disclosure is a cornerstone of compliance with standards.



Applicability

- Approximately 50 ASOPs are in place (with more on the way).
- Some apply in almost all situations (e.g., the Data Quality and Actuarial Communications ASOPs).
- Others are much more specific.
- The Council on Professionalism's Applicability Guidelines assist actuaries in identifying which ASOPs apply in specific situations.



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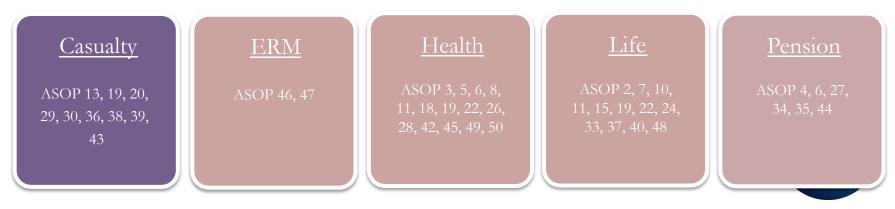
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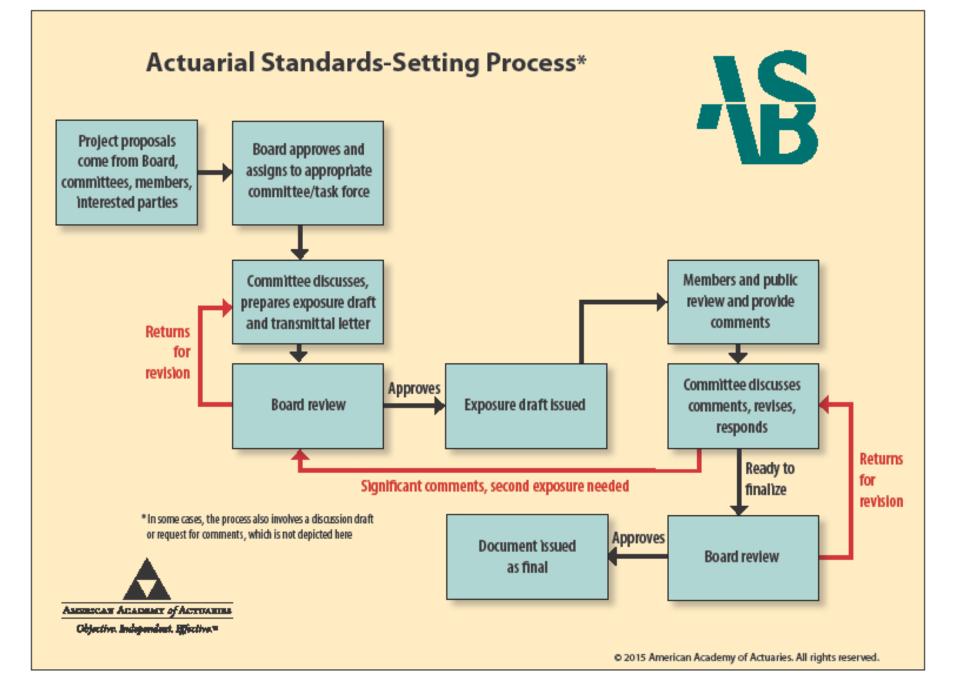
ASOP 1 Introductory ASOP

ASOP 41 Actuarial Communication

| ASOP 12 | Risk Classification | ASOP 23 | Data Quality |
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| ASOP 17 | Expert Testimony by Actuaries | ASOP 25 | Credibility Procedures |
| ASOP 21 | Responding to or Assisting | Exposure | Modeling |
| ASOP 32 | Social Insurance | TBD | Assumptions |

Practice-Specific ASOPs





Questions and Discussion

