§ 58-22-45. **Restriction on insurance purchased by purchasing groups.**

(a) A purchasing group may not purchase insurance from a risk retention group that is not chartered in a state nor from an insurer not admitted in the state in which the purchasing group is located, unless the purchase is effected through a licensed agent or broker acting pursuant to the surplus lines laws and regulations of such state.

(b) A purchasing group that obtains liability insurance from a nonadmitted insurer or from a risk retention group shall provide each member of the purchasing group that has a risk resident or located in this State with the notice specified in G.S. 58-21-45(f) or G.S. 58-22-20(7), whichever is applicable.

(c) No purchasing group may purchase insurance that provides for a deductible or for a self-insured retention applicable to the group as a whole; provided, however, that coverage may provide for a deductible or for self-insured retention applicable to members of the group. (1987, c. 310, c. 727, s. 11.)