ASB Adopts ASOP No. 53 on Property/Casualty Risk Transfer and Risk Retention

The ASB adopted ASOP No. 53, *Estimating Future Costs for Prospective Property/Casualty Risk Transfer and Risk Retention*. The ASOP provides guidance to actuaries when performing actuarial services with respect to developing or reviewing future cost estimates for prospective property/casualty risk transfer and risk retention. This includes future cost estimates for insurance, reinsurance, self-insurance, loss portfolio transfers, or any other mechanisms for risk transfer or risk retention.

The ASOP incorporates all of the considerations contained in the Casualty Actuarial Society’s *Statement of Principles Regarding Property and Casualty Ratemaking* and addresses issues related to the estimation of costs for risk transfer and risk retention not currently addressed in existing ASOPs. The ASOP also references other existing ASOPs that include relevant issues related to the estimation of future costs for prospective risk transfer and risk retention. The ASOP will be effective for work performed on or after Aug. 1, 2018.

ASB Welcomes New Members; Chair Appointments

The ASB welcomed two new members, Robert Damler (health) and Mita Drazilov (pension), on Jan. 1 2018. The appointments begin the first of a three-year term. Beth Fitzgerald (casualty), who has been a vice chairperson, was appointed the ASB’s chairperson. Two vice chairpersons also were appointed: Kathy Riley (pension) and Maryellen Coggins (enterprise risk management). ASB member Barbara Snyder was appointed to a second three-year year term. The ASB thanks its outgoing members, ASB Vice Chairperson for Operations Frank Todisco (pension) and ASB member Ross Winkelman (health), for their contributions as members of the ASB. Both had been ASB members since 2015; Todisco served as a vice chairperson for the past two years.

Academy Adopts New Meetings Policy

The American Academy of Actuaries updated its meetings policy, which can be reviewed at [http://www.actuary.org/content/board-and-committee-meetings-policy](http://www.actuary.org/content/board-and-committee-meetings-policy). If anyone is interested in attending an ASB meeting, please review the Board and Committee Meetings Policy and contact Erica Kennedy at kennedy@actuary.org with your request to attend at least 10 days before the meeting.

ASB to Meet March 7-9 in Washington

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the ASB will be held March 7-9, 2018 at the Academy offices in Washington, D.C.