Proposed Revision of Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 41

Comment Deadline: November 1, 2022

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III. Specific Recommendations:

| Section # (e.g. 3.2.a) | Commentator Recommendation (Please provide recommended wording for any suggested changes) | Commentator Rationale (Support for the recommendation) |
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| 3.3.3 | Replace the sentence "Where the actuarial report or method." With "If the actuary does so but omits the disclosures required in this section, the actuary assumes responsibility for the particular assumption or method to the same extent as if the actuary had directly selected the assumption or method. " | In some public plans there can be extensive lists of assumptions in state law. This suggested change will allow actuaries to omit unnecessary and potentially distracting verbiage with respect to those assumptions or methods that, in the actuary's judgement, are reasonable. |
| 3.3.3.b.5 | Add a new "one of the following" "v. The actuary has reviewed the assumption or method and finds that it is reasonable." | This is suggested in the case that the above suggestion is not accepted. It permits, but does not require, a stronger statement on the part of the actuary regarding the reasonability of the assumption or method. |

IV. General Recommendations (If Any):

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