

## Committee on Banking and Insurance

### **HB 7107 — OGSR/ Consumer Complaints and Inquiries**

by Government Operations Subcommittee; and Rep. Mayfield (CS/SB 1230 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Banking and Insurance Committee)

The bill is the result of an Open Government Sunset Review and saves the exemption in s. 624.23, F.S., from public records requirements for certain personal financial and health information of a consumer held by the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation relating to a consumer's complaint or inquiry regarding a matter regulated under the Florida Insurance Code or s. 440.191, F.S., (Workers' Compensation Employee Assistance and Ombudsman Office). The bill retains the current law that defines "consumer" and "personal financial and health information" that is considered exempt. Under current law the personal financial and health information may be disclosed to another governmental entity when necessary to perform its duties and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, the bill adds to this list the consumer or the consumer's legally authorized representative.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2012.

*Vote: Senate 39-0; House 114-0*