The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Fasano) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 609 and 610
insert:

Section 8. Section 626.8652, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

626.8652 Public adjuster for sinkhole insurance.—Effective July 1, 2012, a licensed public adjuster may not adjust claims under an insurance policy covering catastrophic ground collapse as provided under ss. 627.706-627.7074 unless the adjuster is certified by the department as having completed a sinkhole education program established by the department by rule.
and worked for at least 1 year under the direct supervision of a public adjuster certified under this section.

(1) The department may waive this requirement and certify an adjuster who demonstrates to the department that he or she has adjusted at least 500 sinkhole claims, without having been subject to any disciplinary actions by the department, before July 1, 2012.

(2) A certified public adjuster must submit to the department for review a copy of any proposed advertisement to the public in order to ensure that such advertisement does not contain any false, misleading, or deceptive information about the services to be provided by the adjuster. The department shall adopt advertising standards by rule. The department may charge a fee to cover the cost of reviewing such advertisements.

>Title Amendment

And the title is amended as follows:

After line 56

insert:

creating s. 626.8652, F.S.; requiring public adjusters adjusting claims for sinkhole damage to be certified; providing certification requirements; providing an exemption for certain adjusters; requiring the Department of Financial Services to adopt advertising standards by rule and review proposed advertisements by certified adjusters; authorizing the department to charge a fee for such review;