

	LEGISLATIVE ACTION	
Senate		House
Comm: RCS		
02/28/2024		

The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Rodriguez) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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Delete line 2949

and insert:

Section 4. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraph (aa) of subsection (6) of section 627.351, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans.-
- (6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION. -
- (aa) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the

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corporation shall require the securing and maintaining of flood insurance as a condition of coverage of a personal lines residential risk. The insured or applicant must execute a form approved by the office affirming that flood insurance is not provided by the corporation and that if flood insurance is not secured by the applicant or insured from an insurer other than the corporation and in addition to coverage by the corporation, the risk will not be eligible for coverage by the corporation. The corporation may deny coverage of a personal lines residential risk to an applicant or insured who refuses to secure and maintain flood insurance. The requirement to purchase flood insurance shall be implemented as follows:

- 1. Except as provided in subparagraphs 2. and 3., all personal lines residential policyholders must have flood coverage in place for policies effective on or after:
- a. January 1, 2024, for a structure that has a dwelling replacement cost of \$600,000 or more.
- b. January 1, 2025, for a structure that has a dwelling replacement cost of \$500,000 or more.
- c. January 1, 2026, for a structure that has a dwelling replacement cost of \$400,000 or more.
- d. January 1, 2027, for all other personal lines residential property insured by the corporation.
- 2. All personal lines residential policyholders whose property insured by the corporation is located within the special flood hazard area defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency must have flood coverage in place:
- a. At the time of initial policy issuance for all new personal lines residential policies issued by the corporation on



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- b. By the time of the policy renewal for all personal lines residential policies renewing on or after July 1, 2023.
- 3. Policyholders are not required to purchase flood insurance as a condition for maintaining the following policies issued by the corporation:
- a. Policies that do not provide coverage for the peril of wind.
- b. Policies that provide coverage under a condominium unit owners form.

The flood insurance required under this paragraph must meet, at a minimum, the dwelling coverage available from the National Flood Insurance Program or the requirements of subparagraphs s. 627.715(1)(a)1., 2., and 3.

Section 5. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 66 - 67

and insert:

coverage; defining the term "primary residence"; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising a requirement for certain flood insurance; providing effective dates.