

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House Floor: WD/2R 04/23/2010 02:12 PM

Senators Gelber and Lawson moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 627.062, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.062 Rate standards.-

- (2) As to all such classes of insurance:
- (a) Insurers or rating organizations shall establish and use rates, rating schedules, or rating manuals to allow the insurer a reasonable rate of return on such classes of insurance written in this state. A copy of rates, rating schedules, rating manuals, premium credits or discount schedules, and surcharge

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schedules, and changes thereto, shall be filed with the office under one of the following procedures except as provided in subparagraph 3.:

- 1. If the filing is made at least 90 days before the proposed effective date and the filing is not implemented during the office's review of the filing and any proceeding and judicial review, then such filing shall be considered a "file and use" filing. In such case, the office shall finalize its review by issuance of a notice of intent to approve or a notice of intent to disapprove within 90 days after receipt of the filing. The notice of intent to approve and the notice of intent to disapprove constitute agency action for purposes of the Administrative Procedure Act. Requests for supporting information, requests for mathematical or mechanical corrections, or notification to the insurer by the office of its preliminary findings shall not toll the 90-day period during any such proceedings and subsequent judicial review. The rate shall be deemed approved if the office does not issue a notice of intent to approve or a notice of intent to disapprove within 90 days after receipt of the filing.
- 2. If the filing is not made in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph 1., such filing shall be made as soon as practicable, but no later than 30 days after the effective date, and shall be considered a "use and file" filing. An insurer making a "use and file" filing is potentially subject to an order by the office to return to policyholders portions of rates found to be excessive, as provided in paragraph (h).
- 3. For all property insurance filings made or submitted after January 25, 2007, but before December 31, 2012 2010, an



insurer seeking a rate that is greater than the rate most recently approved by the office shall make a "file and use" filing. For purposes of this subparagraph, motor vehicle collision and comprehensive coverages are not considered to be property coverages.

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> The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance and to motor vehicle insurance.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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

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Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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An act relating to insurance rate standards; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; providing that for all property insurance filings made or submitted after a specified date but before a specified date, an insurer seeking a rate that is greater than the rate most recently approved by the Office of Financial Regulation must make a "file and use" filing; providing an effective date.

A bill to be entitled

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