CS/HB 341

1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to uninsured motorist insurance 3 coverage; amending s. 627.727, F.S.; providing that, 4 under certain circumstances, specified persons who 5 elect non-stacking limitations on their uninsured 6 motorist insurance coverage are conclusively presumed 7 to have made an informed, knowing acceptance of the 8 limitations on behalf of all insureds; providing an 9 effective date. 10 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 12 13 Subsection (9) of section 627.727, Florida Section 1. 14 Statutes, is amended to read: 15 627.727 Motor vehicle insurance; uninsured and 16 underinsured vehicle coverage; insolvent insurer protection.-Insurers may offer policies of uninsured motorist 17 (9) 18 coverage containing policy provisions, in language approved by 19 the office, establishing that if the insured accepts this offer: 20 The coverage provided as to two or more motor vehicles (a) shall not be added together to determine the limit of insurance 21 22 coverage available to an injured person for any one accident, 23 except as provided in paragraph (c). 24 (b) If at the time of the accident the injured person is 25 occupying a motor vehicle, the uninsured motorist coverage 26 available to her or him is the coverage available as to that 27 motor vehicle. 28 If the injured person is occupying a motor vehicle (C)

Page 1 of 3

CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.

2013

CS/HB 341

29 which is not owned by her or him or by a family member residing 30 with her or him, the injured person is entitled to the highest 31 limits of uninsured motorist coverage afforded for any one 32 vehicle as to which she or he is a named insured or insured 33 family member. Such coverage shall be excess over the coverage 34 on the vehicle the injured person is occupying.

35 (d) The uninsured motorist coverage provided by the policy 36 does not apply to the named insured or family members residing 37 in her or his household who are injured while occupying any 38 vehicle owned by such insureds for which uninsured motorist 39 coverage was not purchased.

40 (e) If, at the time of the accident the injured person is 41 not occupying a motor vehicle, she or he is entitled to select 42 any one limit of uninsured motorist coverage for any one vehicle 43 afforded by a policy under which she or he is insured as a named 44 insured or as an insured resident of the named insured's 45 household.

46

In connection with the offer authorized by this subsection, 47 insurers shall inform the named insured, applicant, or lessee, 48 49 on a form approved by the office, of the limitations imposed 50 under this subsection and that such coverage is an alternative 51 to coverage without such limitations. If this form is signed by 52 a named insured, applicant, or lessee, it shall be conclusively 53 presumed that there was an informed, knowing acceptance of such 54 limitations on behalf of all insureds. When the named insured, 55 applicant, or lessee has initially accepted such limitations, 56 such acceptance shall apply to any policy which renews, extends,

Page 2 of 3

CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words <u>underlined</u> are additions.

2013

CS/HB 341

57 changes, supersedes, or replaces an existing policy unless the 58 named insured requests deletion of such limitations and pays the 59 appropriate premium for such coverage. Any insurer who provides 60 coverage which includes the limitations provided in this 61 subsection shall file revised premium rates with the office for 62 such uninsured motorist coverage to take effect prior to 63 initially providing such coverage. The revised rates shall 64 reflect the anticipated reduction in loss costs attributable to 65 such limitations but shall in any event reflect a reduction in the uninsured motorist coverage premium of at least 20 percent 66 for policies with such limitations. Such filing shall not 67 68 increase the rates for coverage which does not contain the 69 limitations authorized by this subsection, and such rates shall 70 remain in effect until the insurer demonstrates the need for a 71 change in uninsured motorist rates pursuant to s. 627.0651.

72

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

Page 3 of 3

CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words <u>underlined</u> are additions.

2013