A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology; providing legislative intent; amending s. 627.0628, F.S.; revising membership of the commission; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. The Legislature intends to enhance the expertise immediately available to the commission by increasing the membership of the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology to provide for the appointment of an additional member with special qualifications or attributes.
- Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 627.0628, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 627.0628 Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology; public records exemption; public meetings exemption.—
 - (2) COMMISSION CREATED.-
- (a) There is created the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology, which is assigned to the State Board of Administration. For the purposes of this section, the term "commission" means the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology. The commission shall be administratively housed within the State Board of Administration, but it shall independently exercise the powers and duties specified in this section.

(b) The commission shall consist of the following $\underline{12}$ $\underline{11}$ members:

1. The insurance consumer advocate.

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- 2. The senior employee of the State Board of Administration responsible for operations of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund.
- 3. The Executive Director of the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation.
 - 4. The Director of the Division of Emergency Management.
- 5. The actuary member of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Advisory Council.
- 6. An employee of the office who is an actuary responsible for property insurance rate filings and who is appointed by the director of the office.
- 7. $\underline{\text{Six}}$ Five members appointed by the Chief Financial Officer, as follows:
- a. An actuary who is employed full time by a property and casualty insurer that was responsible for at least 1 percent of the aggregate statewide direct written premium for homeowner's insurance in the calendar year preceding the member's appointment to the commission.
- b. An expert in insurance finance who is a full-time member of the faculty of the State University System and who has a background in actuarial science.
- c. An expert in statistics who is a full-time member of the faculty of the State University System and who has a background in insurance.
 - d. An expert in computer system design who is a full-time

member of the faculty of the State University System.

- e. An expert in meteorology who is a full-time member of the faculty of the State University System and who specializes in hurricanes.
- <u>f.</u> A licensed professional structural engineer with expertise in wind mitigation techniques.
- (c) Members designated under subparagraphs (b)1.-5. shall serve on the commission as long as they maintain the respective offices designated in subparagraphs (b)1.-5. The member appointed by the director of the office under subparagraph (b)6. shall serve on the commission until the end of the term of office of the director who appointed him or her, unless removed earlier by the director for cause. Members appointed by the Chief Financial Officer under subparagraph (b)7. shall serve on the commission until the end of the term of office of the Chief Financial Officer who appointed them, unless earlier removed by the Chief Financial Officer for cause. Vacancies on the commission shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
- (d) The State Board of Administration shall annually appoint one of the members of the commission to serve as chair.
- (e) Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061.
- (f) The State Board of Administration shall, as a cost of administration of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, provide for travel, expenses, and staff support for the commission.

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(g) There shall be no liability on the part of, and no cause of action of any nature shall arise against, any member of the commission, any member of the State Board of Administration, or any employee of the State Board of Administration for any action taken in the performance of their duties under this section. In addition, the commission may, in writing, waive any potential cause of action for negligence of a consultant, contractor, or contract employee engaged to assist the commission.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.