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CHAMBER ACTION

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Representative Artiles offered the following:

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Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

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Between lines 656 and 657, insert:

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(ii) The corporation must include the following provision in all residential and commercial residential policy forms:

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"If the parties fail to agree to the amount of loss, either party may request an appraisal in writing to appraise the amount of loss. Each party shall choose a competent and independent appraiser within 20 days after receiving a written request from the other party. The two appraisers shall choose a competent and impartial umpire. If the appraisers do not agree upon an umpire within 15 days after each party chooses an appraiser, either

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party may request that the choice be made by a judge of a court
of record in the state where the insured property is located.
The appraisers shall separately set the amount of loss. If the
appraisers submit a written report of an agreement to the
corporation, the amount agreed upon shall be the amount of loss.
If the appraisers fail to agree, the appraisers shall submit
their amounts to the umpire. A decision agreed to by the two
appraisers, or agreed to by the umpire and one appraiser, shall
determine the amount of loss. Each party must pay its own
appraiser and bear any other expenses of the appraisal and
umpire equally with the other party."

DIRECTORY AMENDMENT

Remove line 109 and insert:

(6) of section 627.351, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (ii) is added to that subsection, to read:

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 33 and insert:

residential coverage; requiring the corporation to include a statement on certain forms that informs policyholders of their appraisal rights in the event of a loss; amending s. 627.3518, F.S.;

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