By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Aronberg

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to insurance renewal premiums; amending s. 627.7277, F.S.; increasing the period of advanced written notice of renewal premium that must be provided by an insurer to a policyholder; providing that if an insurer fails to give such notice of a renewal premium resulting in a premium increase, coverage under the policy remains in effect at the existing rates until a specified period after the notice is given or until the effective date of replacement coverage obtained by the insured, whichever occurs first; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 627.7277, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

627.7277 Notice of renewal premium.--

- (2) An insurer shall mail or deliver to its policyholder at least $\underline{45}$ 30 days' advance written notice of the renewal premium for the policy.
- (3) If the insurer fails to provide the $\underline{45}$ 30 days' notice of a renewal premium that results in a premium increase, the coverage under the policy remains in effect at the existing rates until $\underline{45}$ 30 days after the notice is given or until the effective date of replacement coverage obtained by the insured, whichever occurs first.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.