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Senate House

Representative Long offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

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Between lines 935 and 936, insert:

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Section 6. Subsection (6) of section 626.854, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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626.854 "Public adjuster" defined; prohibitions.--The Legislature finds that it is necessary for the protection of the public to regulate public insurance adjusters and to prevent the unauthorized practice of law.

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A public adjuster may not directly or indirectly through any other person or entity initiate contact or engage in face-to-face or telephonic solicitation or enter into a contract with any insured or claimant under an insurance policy until at least 48 hours after the occurrence of an event that may be the subject of a claim under the insurance policy unless contact is 622115

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initiated by the insured or claimant. If a state of emergency is declared by the Governor, the public adjuster may not enter into a contract with any insured or claimant under an insurance policy until at least 15 days after the occurrence of the event that is the subject of the claim unless contact is initiated by the insured or claimant.

The provisions of subsections (5)-(12) apply only to residential property insurance policies and condominium association policies as defined in s. 718.111(11).

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 49 and insert:

products sold by certain business entities; amending s. 626.854, F.S.; providing that a public adjuster may not enter into a contract with an insured or claimant for a specified period after the event that is the subject of the claim if a state of emergency is declared by the Governor unless the contact is initiated by the insured or the claimant; amending s.