

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: WD 02/02/2012

The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Gaetz) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 1265 - 1270 and insert:

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(8) ATTORNEY APPLICABILITY OF PROVISION REGULATING ATTORNEY'S FEES. - With respect to any dispute under the provisions of ss. 627.730-627.7405 between the insured and the insurer, or between an assignee of an insured's rights and the insurer, upon the rendition of a judgment or decree by any court in this state, the trial court or, upon appeal the appellate court, shall adjudge or decree a reasonable sum as attorney fees or compensation for attorney fees in favor of the prevailing



party the provisions of s. 627.428 shall apply, except as provided in subsections (10) and (15). In determining a reasonable sum as attorney fees or compensation for attorney fees for a prevailing insured or assignee of such insured's rights, the court may consider the application of a contingency risk multiplier. If awarded, attorney fees or compensation for attorney fees must be included in the judgment or decree rendered in the case. ======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows: Delete line 79 and insert:

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claims when policy limits are reached; revising provisions relating to attorney fees; consolidating