

By Senator Gibson

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to renter insurance; creating s.  
3           83.491, F.S.; requiring a residential rental agreement  
4           to specify whether renter insurance is required and  
5           specifying provisions that must be included if  
6           insurance is or is not required; providing an  
7           effective date.

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

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11           Section 1. Section 83.491, Florida Statutes, is created to  
12           read:

13           83.491 Renter insurance.—A rental agreement must specify  
14           whether a tenant is required to obtain renter insurance and  
15           provide a line for the tenant's initials immediately following  
16           that provision.

17           (1) If renter insurance is required, the rental agreement  
18           must specify the coverage required.

19           (2) If renter insurance is not required, the rental  
20           agreement must provide a statement in substantially the  
21           following form: "The tenant is not required to obtain renter  
22           insurance; however, the tenant is strongly advised to obtain  
23           renter insurance to cover damage to or loss of personal  
24           property."

25           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.