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1 Representative Ingram offered the following:

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3 **Substitute Amendment for Amendment (063013) (with title**  
4 **amendment)**

5 Remove lines 959-972 and insert:

6 Section 29. Paragraphs (c) and (f) of subsection (2) of  
7 section 627.706, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

8 627.706 Sinkhole insurance; catastrophic ground cover  
9 collapse; definitions.—

10 (2) As used in ss. 627.706-627.7074, and as used in  
11 connection with any policy providing coverage for a catastrophic  
12 ground cover collapse or for sinkhole losses, the term:

13 (c) "Neutral evaluator" means an a ~~professional~~ engineer  
14 licensed under chapter 471 with experience and expertise in the

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15 identification of sinkhole activity as well as other potential  
16 causes of structural damage or a professional geologist. The  
17 engineer or professional geologist must have ~~who has~~ completed a  
18 course of study in alternative dispute resolution designed or  
19 approved by the department for use in the neutral evaluation  
20 process, must be ~~and who is~~ determined by the department to be  
21 fair and impartial, and must not be otherwise ineligible for  
22 certification as provided in s. 627.7074.

23 (f) "Professional engineer" means a person, as defined in  
24 s. 471.005, who has a bachelor's degree or higher in  
25 engineering. A professional engineer must also have experience  
26 and expertise in the identification of sinkhole activity or ~~as~~  
27 ~~well as~~ other potential causes of structural damage.

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31 Remove lines 82-83 and insert:

32 627.706, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 627.7074, F.S.;

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