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House



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 01/14/2022

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

Senate Substitute for Amendment (774500) (with title amendment)

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Before line 11

5 insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (g) is added to subsection (7) of section 215.555, Florida Statutes, to read:

215.555 Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund.-

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(7) ADDITIONAL POWERS AND DUTIES.-

(g) Each fiscal year, the Legislature shall appropriate

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11	from the investment income of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe
12	Fund \$2 million of the investment income based upon the most
13	recent fiscal year-end audited financial statements to the
14	University of South Florida School of Risk Management and
15	Insurance for the purpose of providing research into the
16	property insurance market of this state. The school shall use
17	publicly available data to analyze trends regarding, and to
18	develop recommended policies and best practices for reducing,
19	property insurance rates, Citizens Property Insurance
20	Corporation policyholder counts, and property insurance
21	litigation frequency. The school shall also analyze to what
22	extent hurricane losses and rebuilding costs influence these
23	trends. Moneys shall first be available for appropriation under
24	this paragraph in fiscal year 2022-2023. Moneys in excess of the
25	\$10 million specified in this paragraph may not be available for
26	appropriation under this paragraph if the State Board of
27	Administration finds that an appropriation of investment income
28	from the fund would jeopardize the actuarial soundness of the
29	fund.
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31	========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
32	And the title is amended as follows:
33	Delete lines 2 - 3
34	and insert:
35	An act relating to hurricane impact programs; amending
36	s. 215.555, F.S.; providing an annual appropriation
37	from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund to fund
38	specified research; specifying requirements and
39	exceptions; amending s. 215.559, F.S.; deleting

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