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2	An act relating to the Florida Statutes;
3	repealing or deleting various statutory
4	provisions that have become obsolete, have had
5	their effect, have served their purpose, or
6	have been impliedly repealed or superseded;
7	amending s. 624.408, F.S.; deleting an obsolete
8	schedule provision relating to the surplus
9	required to be maintained by certain property
10	and casualty insurers; repealing s.
11	624.515(2)(b), F.S., relating to applicability
12	of the surcharge on policies of fire, allied
13	lines, or multiperil insurance insuring
14	commercial property; repealing s. 626.9929,
15	F.S., relating to a grace period under the
16	Viatical Settlement Act; amending s. 627.0628,
17	F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions relating to
18	adoption and revision of hurricane loss
19	projection standards and guidelines; repealing
20	s. 627.072(4)(c), F.S., relating to a directive
21	to the Insurance Commissioner on the use of a
22	methodology for establishing rates for workers'
23	compensation and employer's liability
24	insurance; amending s. 627.215, F.S.; deleting
25	an obsolete reporting requirement on the excess
26	profits law; amending s. 627.3511, F.S.;
27	deleting findings relating to the need to
28	reduce the number of Residential Property and
29	Casualty Joint Underwriting Association
30	policies; repealing s. 627.706(5), F.S.,
31	relating to applicability of sinkhole insurance
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1 requirements; amending s. 629.520, F.S.; 2 deleting obsolete provisions relating to the 3 authority of limited reciprocal insurers; 4 amending s. 633.41, F.S.; deleting an obsolete 5 provision relating to firefighter certificates 6 of tenure; repealing pt. XXII, ch. 627, F.S., 7 relating to Workers' Compensation Insurance Purchasing Alliance; providing an effective 8 9 date. 10 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 12 13 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 14 624.408, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 15 624.408 Surplus as to policyholders required; new and 16 existing insurers. --17 (1)18 (b) For any property and casualty insurer holding a 19 certificate of authority on December 1, 1993, the following 20 amounts apply instead of the \$4 million required by 21 subparagraph (a)5.: 22 1. On December 31, 1998, and until December 30, 1999, 23 \$2.25 million. 24 1.2. On December 31, 1999, and until December 30, 2000, \$2.5 million. 25 26 2.3. On December 31, 2000, and until December 30, 27 2001, \$2.75 million. 28 3.4. On December 31, 2001, and until December 30, 29 2002, \$3 million. 30 4.5. On December 31, 2002, and until December 30, 31 2003, \$3.25 million. 2

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5.6. On December 31, 2003, and until December 30, 1 2 2004, \$3.6 million. 3 6.7. On December 31, 2004, and thereafter, \$4 million. 4 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 5 624.515, Florida Statutes, is repealed. 6 Section 3. Section 626.9929, Florida Statutes, is 7 repealed. 8 Section 4. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 9 627.0628, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 627.0628 Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss 10 Projection Methodology .--11 (3) ADOPTION AND EFFECT OF STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES.--12 (d) The commission shall adopt initial actuarial 13 14 methods, principles, standards, models, or output ranges no later than December 31, 1995. The commission shall adopt 15 revisions to previously adopted such actuarial methods, 16 17 principles, standards, models, or output ranges at least 18 annually thereafter. As soon as possible, but no later than 19 July 1, 1996, the commission shall adopt revised actuarial 20 methods, principles, standards, models, or output ranges which include specification of acceptable computer models or output 21 ranges derived from computer models. 22 23 Section 5. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section 627.072, Florida Statutes, is repealed. 24 25 Section 6. Subsection (14) of section 627.215, Florida 26 Statutes, is amended to read: 627.215 Excessive profits for workers' compensation, 27 28 employer's liability, commercial property, and commercial 29 casualty insurance prohibited. --30 (14) The application of this law to commercial property and commercial casualty insurance, which includes 31 3 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions. ENROLLED 2000 Legislature

commercial umbrella liability insurance, ceases on January 1, 1 The Department of Insurance shall, no later than 2 1997. October 1, 1995, provide a report on this law to the President 3 4 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, 5 which report includes a history of the excess profits law and a year-by-year listing of excess profits returned to б 7 policyholders as refunds or credits. Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 627.3511, Florida 8 9 Statutes, is amended to read: 627.3511 Depopulation of Residential Property and 10 Casualty Joint Underwriting Association .--11 (1) LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT.--The Legislature 12 finds and declares that the Residential Property and Casualty 13 14 Joint Underwriting Association has written an amount of 15 policies beyond legislative expectations and has become, by virtue of its size, a significant impediment to the 16 17 restoration of a stable and competitive residential property insurance market in this state; that the public policy of this 18 19 state requires the maintenance of a residual market for residential property insurance; and that extraordinary 20 measures, beyond implementation of eligibility criteria and 21 22 noncompetitive rates, are required to reduce the number of 23 policies written by the Residential Property and Casualty Joint Underwriting Association to a reasonable level. It is 24 the intent of the Legislature to provide a variety of 25 26 financial incentives to encourage the replacement of the highest possible number of Residential Property and Casualty 27 Joint Underwriting Association policies with policies written 28 29 by admitted insurers at approved rates. Section 8. Subsection (5) of section 627.706, Florida 30 31 Statutes, is repealed.

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Section 9. Section 629.520, Florida Statutes, is 1 2 amended to read: 3 629.520 Abolition of existing Authority of the 4 department to issue a certificate of authority as a limited 5 reciprocal insurer. -- On October 1, 1991, the existing authority of the department to issue a certificate of 6 7 authority as a limited reciprocal insurer pursuant to this chapter is abolished. Existing limited reciprocal insurers 8 9 which continue to hold a certificate of authority after this date shall have until October 1, 1992, to convert their 10 certificate of authority by meeting the requirements for a 11 12 certificate of authority as another type of insurer authorized under this code. All existing certificates of authority as a 13 14 limited reciprocal insurer not so converted shall automatically terminate on October 1, 1992. The authority of 15 any limited reciprocal insurer to accept new business or 16 17 renewals shall not continue beyond October 1, 1992; however, such limited reciprocal insurer shall continue to service its 18 19 obligations previously incurred or with the approval of the department, arrange for the transfer of these obligations to 20 an authorized insurer. All power of the department with 21 respect to limited reciprocal insurers shall continue 22 23 undiminished. This section does not affect any other power of the department or any other function of the department. 24 Section 10. Section 633.41, Florida Statutes, is 25 26 amended to read: 633.41 Saving clause.--Firefighters employed on July 27 5, 1969, are not required to meet the provisions of ss. 633.34 28 29 and 633.35 as a condition of tenure or continued employment; nor shall their failure to fulfill such requirements make them 30 ineligible for any promotional examination for which they are 31 5 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions. ENROLLED 2000 Legislature

otherwise eligible or affect in any way any pension rights to which they may be entitled on July 5, 1969. Firefighters employed on July 5, 1969, who have not yet been issued a certificate of tenure shall make application to the Florida State Fire College for such certificate no later than June 30, 1990, after which date no certificates of tenure will be issued. Section 11. Sections 627.990, 627.991, and 627.992, Florida Statutes, are repealed. Section 12. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.