Bill No. CS/HB 339

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11	Senator Diaz-Balart moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 8, between lines 18 and 19,
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16	insert:
17	Section 10. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section
18	626.321, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
19	626.321 Limited licenses
20	(1) The department shall issue to a qualified
21	individual, or a qualified individual or entity under
22	paragraphs (c), (d), and (e), a license as agent authorized to
23	transact a limited class of business in any of the following
24	categories:
25	(e) Credit life or disability insuranceLicense
26	covering only credit life or disability insurance. The license
27	may be issued only to an individual employed by a life or
28	health insurer as an officer or other salaried or commissioned
29	representative, or to an individual employed by or associated
30	with a lending or financing institution or creditor, and may
31	authorize the sale of such insurance only with respect to
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29 30 borrowers or debtors of such lending or financing institution or creditor. However, only the individual or entity whose tax identification number is used in receiving or is credited with receiving the commission from the sale of such insurance shall be the licensed agent of the insurer. No individual while so licensed shall hold a license as an agent or solicitor as to any other or additional kind or class of life or health insurance coverage. An entity other than a lending or financial institution defined in s. 655.005(1)(g), (h), or (p) holding a limited license under this paragraph is shall also be authorized to sell credit insurance and credit property insurance. An entity applying for a license under this section:

- Is required to submit only one application for a 1. license under s. 626.171, excluding the requirements of s. 626.171(5), provided that the entity is regulated by any of the following federal or state agencies: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; the Securities and Exchange Commission; or the Department of Banking and Finance.
- Is not required to obtain a license or appointment for each office, branch office, or place of business making use of the entity's business name by applying to the department for the license on a simplified form developed by rule of the department for this purpose. However, the licensed entity shall file with the department the address and telephone number of each place of business at which credit insurance is being marketed or sold. This information must be filed annually by January 1 in an electronic format as specified by the department by rule. The licensee is required to file with the department, in the same specified electronic 31 | format, any changes, additions, or deletions regarding each

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29 30 place of business marketing or selling credit insurance within 30 days after such change.

Is not required to pay any additional application fees for a license issued to the offices or places of business referenced in subsection (2), but is required to pay the license fee as prescribed in s. 624.501, be appointed under s. 626.112, and pay the prescribed appointment fee under s. 624.501.A copy of the license obtained under this paragraph shall be posted at each the business location at for which employees are selling insurance authorized under the entity license it was issued so as to be readily visible to prospective purchasers of such coverage.

Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 627.679, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.679 Amount of insurance; disclosure.--

- (1)(a) The amount of credit life insurance written under one or more policies shall not exceed by more than \$5 the total of the payments of the specific contracts of indebtedness in connection with which it is written, when the indebtedness is repayable in substantially equal installments or in one installment or a single payment.
- (b) The total amount of credit life insurance on the life of any debtor with respect to any loan or loans covered in one or more insurance policies shall at no time exceed \$50,000 with any one creditor, except that loans not exceeding 1 year's duration shall not be subject to such limits, and on such loans not exceeding 1 year's duration, the limits of coverage shall not exceed \$50,000 with any one insurer.
- (c) Before any credit life insurance may be sold, the creditor agent or agent shall obtain a separate written 31 acknowledgment with respect to each of the following:

- 1. That the borrower understands that he or she has the option of assigning any other policy or policies the borrower owns or may procure for the purpose of covering such loan and that the policy need not be purchased from the creditor agent in order to obtain the loan.
- 2. That the borrower understands that the credit life coverage may be deferred if, at the time of application, the borrower is unable to engage in employment or unable to perform normal activities of a person of like age and sex, if the proposed credit life insurance policy contains this restriction.
- 3. That the borrower understands that the benefits under the policy will terminate when the borrower reaches a certain age and that the borrower's age is accurately represented on the application or policy.

Notwithstanding the required disclosures set forth in this paragraph, if the sale of credit life insurance is solicited or consummated telephonically, the creditor or agent shall provide the foregoing disclosures to the borrower within 30 days from the date the coverage takes effect. The borrower shall be notified that he or she has 30 days from the date the disclosures are received to rescind the credit life insurance coverage.

(Redesignate subsequent sections.)

========= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

On page 1, line 16, after the semicolon,

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1	insert:
2	amending s. 626.321, F.S.; authorizing
3	individuals and entities holding a credit life
4	or disability insurance license to sell credit
5	insurance; modifying requirements for
6	licensure; amending s. 627.679, F.S.; requiring
7	certain disclosures to be made within a
8	specified time upon the sale of credit life
9	insurance; allowing a borrower a specified time
10	from the date of such disclosures to rescind
11	the coverage;
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