

By Representative Arza

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to bail and judicial bonds;  
3           amending s. 625.071, F.S.; revising provisions  
4           relating to the special reserve for bail and  
5           judicial bonds; requiring insurers to file a  
6           supplementary schedule with the Department of  
7           Insurance; providing an 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 625.071, Florida Statutes, is  
12   amended to read:

13           625.071   Special reserve for bail and judicial  
14   bonds.--In lieu of the unearned premium reserve required on  
15   surety bonds under s. 625.051, the department may require any  
16   surety insurer or limited surety insurer to set up and  
17   maintain a reserve on all bail bonds or other single-premium  
18   bonds without definite expiration date, furnished in judicial  
19   proceedings, equal to the lesser of 35 25 percent of the bail  
20   premiums in force or \$7 per \$1,000 of bail liability as of the  
21   date of any financial statement filed with the department.  
22   Each insurer shall file a supplementary schedule with the  
23   department showing bail premiums in force and bail liability  
24   and the associated special reserve for bail and judicial bonds  
25   with financial statements required by s. 624.424. Bail  
26   premiums in force do not include amounts retained by licensed  
27   bail bond agents or licensed managing general agents total  
28   ~~consideration charged for such bonds as are outstanding as of~~  
29   ~~the date of any current financial statement of the insurer.~~

30           Section 2.   This act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Revises provisions relating to the special reserve for  
bail and judicial bonds. Requires insurers to file a  
supplementary schedule with the Department of Insurance.