

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Margolis

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to service of process against
3 the Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting
4 Association; amending s. 627.311, F.S.;
5 specifying that the Florida Automobile Joint
6 Underwriting Association appoints its general
7 manager as agent for service of process
8 purposes; providing a limitation relating to
9 method of service of process; providing an
10 effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14 Section 1. Subsection (6) is added to section 627.311,
15 Florida Statutes, to read:

16 627.311 Joint underwriters and joint reinsurers.--

17 (6)(a) The Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting
18 Association created under this section shall be deemed to have
19 appointed its general manager as its agent to receive service
20 of all legal process issued against it in any civil action or
21 proceeding in this state. Process so served shall be valid and
22 binding upon the association.

23 (b) Service of process upon the general manager as the
24 association's agent pursuant to such an appointment shall be
25 the sole method of service of process upon the association.

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
27 law.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
Senate Bill 1960

The committee substitute deletes the Chief Financial Officer as agent for service of process for the Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting Association (FAJUA) and inserts the General Manager of the FAJUA to carry out this function.