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11	Senator Campbell moved the following amendment to amendment
12	(021596):
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14	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
15	On page 28, line 29, through
16	page 30, line 22, delete those lines
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18	and insert:
19	Section 7. Effective July 1, 2006, subsection (2) of
20	section 627.062, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection
21	(9) is added to that section, to read:
22	627.062 Rate standards
23	(2) As to all such classes of insurance:
24	(a) Insurers or rating organizations shall establish
25	and use rates, rating schedules, or rating manuals to allow
26	the insurer a reasonable rate of return on such classes of
27	insurance written in this state. A copy of rates, rating
28	schedules, rating manuals, premium credits or discount
29	schedules, and surcharge schedules, and changes thereto, shall
30	be filed with the office under one of the following
31	procedures:
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- 1 1. If the filing is made at least 90 days before the proposed effective date and the filing is not implemented during the office's review of the filing and any proceeding 3 and judicial review, then such filing shall be considered a "file and use" filing. In such case, the office shall finalize its review by issuance of a notice of intent to approve or a notice of intent to disapprove within 90 days after receipt of the filing. The notice of intent to approve and the notice of intent to disapprove constitute agency action for purposes of the Administrative Procedure Act. 11 Requests for supporting information, requests for mathematical or mechanical corrections, or notification to the insurer by 12 13 the office of its preliminary findings shall not toll the 90-day period during any such proceedings and subsequent 14 15 judicial review. The rate shall be deemed approved if the 16 office does not issue a notice of intent to approve or a notice of intent to disapprove within 90 days after receipt of 18 the filing.
 - 2. If the filing is not made in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph 1., such filing shall be made as soon as practicable, but no later than 30 days after the effective date, and shall be considered a "use and file" filing. An insurer making a "use and file" filing is potentially subject to an order by the office to return to policyholders portions of rates found to be excessive, as provided in paragraph (h).
 - 3. The chief executive officer and the chief financial officer of each property insurer shall sign a statement of certification, sworn under oath, to accompany the rate filing. The statement must certify the appropriateness of the information in the rate filing and that the information fairly 7:35 PM 05/04/06 s1980c2c-32-20u

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1	presents, in all material respects, the basis of the rate
2	filing submitted by the insurer. The insurer shall certify al
3	of the information and factors described in paragraph (b),
4	including investment income. The Office of Insurance
5	Regulation shall adopt by rule the form for the statement of
6	certification. Failure to provide the statement of
7	certification shall result in the rate filing being
8	disapproved without prejudice to be refiled.
9	(b) Upon receiving a rate filing, the office shall

- review the rate filing to determine if a rate is excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory. In making that determination, the office shall, in accordance with generally accepted and reasonable actuarial techniques, consider the following factors:
- 1. Past and prospective loss experience within and without this state.
 - 2. Past and prospective expenses.
 - 3. The degree of competition among insurers for the risk insured.
- 4. Investment income reasonably expected by the 20 21 insurer, consistent with the insurer's investment practices, 22 from investable premiums anticipated in the filing, plus any other expected income from currently invested assets 23 24 representing the amount expected on unearned premium reserves and loss reserves. The commission may adopt rules utilizing 25 reasonable techniques of actuarial science and economics to 26 specify the manner in which insurers shall calculate 27 investment income attributable to such classes of insurance 28 29 written in this state and the manner in which such investment income shall be used in the calculation of insurance rates. 30 Such manner shall contemplate allowances for an underwriting 7:35 PM 05/04/06 s1980c2c-32-20u

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profit factor and full consideration of investment income which produce a reasonable rate of return; however, investment income from invested surplus shall not be considered.

- 5. The reasonableness of the judgment reflected in the filing.
- 6. Dividends, savings, or unabsorbed premium deposits allowed or returned to Florida policyholders, members, or subscribers.
 - 7. The adequacy of loss reserves.
 - 8. The cost of reinsurance.
- 9. Trend factors, including trends in actual losses per insured unit for the insurer making the filing. 12
- 13 10. Conflagration and catastrophe hazards, if applicable. 14
 - 11. A reasonable margin for underwriting profit and contingencies. For that portion of the rate covering the risk of hurricanes and other catastrophic losses for which the insurer has not purchased reinsurance and has exposed its capital and surplus to such risk, the office must approve a rating factor that provides the insurer a reasonable rate of return that is commensurate with such risk.
 - 12. The cost of medical services, if applicable.
 - 13. Other relevant factors which impact upon the frequency or severity of claims or upon expenses.

The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance and to motor vehicle insurance.

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2	And the title is amended as follows:
3	On page 131, line 5, after the semicolon,
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5	insert:
6	requiring the chief executive officer and chief
7	financial officer of each property insurer to
8	sign a statement of certification, sworn under
9	oath, to accompany the rate filing annual
10	statements and lists of assets;
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