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Representative(s) Sorensen offered the following:

Amendment to Amendment (074037) (with title amendment) Remove line(s) 2282-2306 and insert:

4.a. For the purposes of establishing a pilot program to 5 6 evaluate issues relating to the availability and affordability of insurance in an area where historically there has been little 7 8 market competition, the provisions of subparagraph 2. do not apply to coverage provided by the corporation in Monroe County 9 10 if the office determines that a reasonable degree of competition does not exist for personal lines residential policies. The 11 provisions of subparagraph 3. do not apply to coverage provided 12 by the corporation in Monroe County if the office determines 13 that a reasonable degree of competition does not exist for 14 personal lines residential policies in the area of that county 15 which is eligible for wind-only coverage. In this county, the 16 17 rates for personal lines residential coverage shall be 874191 4/26/2006 6:16:46 PM

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actuarially adequate sound and not excessive, inadequate, or 18 unfairly discriminatory and are subject to the other provisions 19 of the paragraph and s. 627.062. The commission shall adopt 20 21 rules establishing the criteria for determining whether a reasonable degree of competition exists for personal lines 22 23 residential policies in Monroe County. Any proposed rate increase filed by the corporation after May 1, 2006, but before 24 25 October 1, 2006, for Monroe County based upon actuarial adequacy 26 shall be implemented in equal amounts over a period of 3 years. b. Pursuant to a report by March 1, 2006, the office shall 27 submit a report to the Legislature providing an evaluation of 28 the implementation of the pilot program affecting Monroe County 29 30 and indicating that there has historically been a lack of a reasonable degree of competition in Monroe County, the office 31 32 shall proceed as follows: The office shall order the corporation to charge only 33 (I) approved rates in effect for Monroe County on October 1, 2005, 34 until any new rates are approved by the office. 35 The office shall hold one or more public hearings, (II)36 with at least 30 days' advance notice to interested persons, in 37 Monroe County prior to the approval or implementation of a rate 38 39 filing which proposes rates that exceed rates that were in effect for Monroe County on October 1, 2005. 40 The office shall make available for public 41 (III) 42 inspection 30 days prior to such hearings the office's written actuarial analysis if such analysis differs materially from that 43 44 submitted by the corporation in support of the new rates filed. The office and the corporation shall also provide actuaries and 45 46 qualified experts in attendance at such hearings to answer 874191 4/26/2006 6:16:46 PM

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47	questions from actuaries or other qualified experts representing
48	Monroe County or the public concerning the new rates filed.
49	Additionally, the office shall provide for a technical hearing
50	at which only actuaries and qualified experts representing the
51	office, the corporation, Monroe County, or the Office of the
52	Insurance Consumer Advocate may testify and at which the public
53	may attend.
54	(IV) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
55	office shall order the portion of any premium collected in 2006
56	based on a rate charged on a use and file bases above that which
57	was actuarially justified to be returned to such policyholder in
58	the form of a credit or refund.
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60	========== TITLE AMENDMENT =========
61	Remove line 4679 and insert:
62	a pilot program in Monroe County; providing program requirements
63	of the office; deleting provisions relating
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