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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senators Deutch and Richter moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 2056 and 2057

insert:

Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 627.711, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

627.711 Notice of premium discounts for hurricane loss mitigation; uniform mitigation verification inspection form.—

(2) By July 1, 2007, the Financial Services Commission shall develop by rule a uniform mitigation verification inspection form that shall be used by all insurers when



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13 submitted by policyholders for the purpose of factoring  
14 discounts for wind insurance. In developing the form, the  
15 commission shall seek input from insurance, construction, and  
16 building code representatives. Further, the commission shall  
17 provide guidance as to the length of time the inspection results  
18 are valid. An insurer shall accept as valid a uniform mitigation  
19 verification form certified by the Department of Financial  
20 Services or signed by:

21 (a) A hurricane mitigation inspector certified ~~employed~~ by  
22 the an approved My Safe Florida Home program ~~wind certification~~  
23 ~~entity~~;

24 (b) A building code inspector certified under s. 468.607;

25 (c) A general or residential contractor licensed under s.  
26 489.111;

27 (d) A professional engineer licensed under s. 471.015 who  
28 has passed the appropriate equivalency test of the Building Code  
29 Training Program as required by s. 553.841; ~~or~~

30 (e) A professional architect licensed under s. 481.213; or

31 (f) Any other individual or entity recognized by the  
32 insurer as possessing the necessary qualifications to properly  
33 complete a uniform mitigation verification form.

34 (3) An individual or entity who knowingly provides or  
35 utters a false or fraudulent mitigation verification form with  
36 the intent to obtain or receive a discount on an insurance  
37 premium to which the individual or entity is not entitled  
38 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as  
39 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

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41 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====



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42 And the title is amended as follows:  
43       Delete line 80  
44 and insert:  
45       amount in any subsequent rate filing; amending s.  
46       627.711, F.S.; requiring that an insurer accept as  
47       valid a uniform mitigation verification form certified  
48       by the Department of Financial Services or signed by  
49       certain individuals or entities; providing a criminal  
50       penalty for knowingly submitting a false or fraudulent  
51       mitigation form with the intent to receive an  
52       undeserved discount; amending s.