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Florida Senate - 2012 Bill No. CS/CS/HB 245, 1st Eng.



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Senator Richter moved the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 75 - 131

4 and insert:

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5 under sub-subparagraph (b)3.c. (b)3.d., and assigned and pledged 6 to or on behalf of the unit of local government for the benefit 7 of the holders of such bonds. The funds, credit, property, and 8 taxing power of the state or of the unit of local government 9 shall not be pledged for the payment of such bonds.

3.a. The corporation shall adopt one or more programs subject to approval by the office for the reduction of both new and renewal writings in the corporation. Beginning January 1, 2008, any program the corporation adopts for the payment of

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14 bonuses to an insurer for each risk the insurer removes from the corporation shall comply with s. 627.3511(2) and may not exceed 15 16 the amount referenced in s. 627.3511(2) for each risk removed. The corporation may consider any prudent and not unfairly 17 18 discriminatory approach to reducing corporation writings, and may adopt a credit against assessment liability or other 19 20 liability that provides an incentive for insurers to take risks 21 out of the corporation and to keep risks out of the corporation 22 by maintaining or increasing voluntary writings in counties or 23 areas in which corporation risks are highly concentrated and a 24 program to provide a formula under which an insurer voluntarily 25 taking risks out of the corporation by maintaining or increasing voluntary writings will be relieved wholly or partially from 26 27 assessments under sub-subparagraph sub-subparagraphs (b)3.a. and b. However, any "take-out bonus" or payment to an insurer must 28 29 be conditioned on the property being insured for at least 5 30 years by the insurer, unless canceled or nonrenewed by the policyholder. If the policy is canceled or nonrenewed by the 31 32 policyholder before the end of the 5-year period, the amount of 33 the take-out bonus must be prorated for the time period the 34 policy was insured. When the corporation enters into a 35 contractual agreement for a take-out plan, the producing agent of record of the corporation policy is entitled to retain any 36 unearned commission on such policy, and the insurer shall 37 38 either:

(I) Pay to the producing agent of record of the policy, for the first year, an amount which is the greater of the insurer's usual and customary commission for the type of policy written or a policy fee equal to the usual and customary commission of the

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43 corporation; or

(II) Offer to allow the producing agent of record of the policy to continue servicing the policy for a period of not less than 1 year and offer to pay the agent the insurer's usual and customary commission for the type of policy written. If the producing agent is unwilling or unable to accept appointment by the new insurer, the new insurer shall pay the agent in accordance with sub-sub-subparagraph (I).

51 b. Any credit or exemption from regular assessments adopted 52 under this subparagraph shall last no longer than the 3 years 53 following the cancellation or expiration of the policy by the 54 corporation. With the approval of the office, the board may 55 extend such credits for an additional year if the insurer 56 guarantees an additional year of renewability for all policies removed from the corporation, or for 2 additional years if the 57 58 insurer guarantees 2 additional years of renewability for all 59 policies so removed.

c. There shall be no credit, limitation, exemption, or
deferment from emergency assessments to be collected from
policyholders pursuant to sub-subparagraph (b)3.c. (b)3.d.