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COMMITTEE/S	UBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
ADOPTED	_	(Y/N)
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Insurance & Banking Subcommittee Representative Gaetz offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (g) of subsection (1) of section 626.9541, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

626.9541 Unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices defined.-

(1) UNFAIR METHODS OF COMPETITION AND UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE ACTS.-The following are defined as unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices:

(q) Unfair discrimination.-

1. Knowingly making or permitting any unfair

discrimination between individuals of the same actuarially 16

supportable class and equal expectation of life, in the rates 17

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18 charged for <u>a</u> any life insurance or annuity contract, in the 19 dividends or other benefits payable thereon, or in any other 20 <u>term or condition</u> of the terms and conditions of such contract.

Knowingly making or permitting any unfair 21 2. 22 discrimination between individuals of the same actuarially 23 supportable class, as determined at the original time of initial 24 issuance of the coverage, and essentially the same hazard, in 25 the amount of premium, policy fees, or rates charged for a any policy or contract of accident, disability, or health insurance, 26 27 in the benefits payable thereunder, in any of the terms or 28 conditions of such contract, or in any other manner whatever.

29 3. For a health insurer, life insurer, disability insurer, 30 property and casualty insurer, automobile insurer, or managed care provider to underwrite a policy, or refuse to issue, 31 32 reissue, or renew a policy, refuse to pay a claim, cancel or otherwise terminate a policy, or increase rates based upon the 33 34 fact that an insured or applicant who is also the proposed 35 insured has made a claim or sought or should have sought medical 36 or psychological treatment in the past for abuse, protection 37 from abuse, or shelter from abuse, or that a claim was caused in the past by, or might occur as a result of, any future assault, 38 battery, or sexual assault by a family or household member upon 39 another family or household member as defined in s. 741.28. A 40 41 health insurer, life insurer, disability insurer, or managed 42 care provider may refuse to underwrite, issue, or renew a policy 43 based on the applicant's medical condition, but may shall not

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70 insurance applicant to insure a firearm or a firearm collection 71 whose value exceeds the standard policy coverage. 72 b. Disclose the lawful ownership or possession of firearms 73 of an insurance applicant, insured, or household member of the 74 applicant or insured to a third party or an affiliated entity of 75 the insurer unless the insurer discloses to the applicant or 76 insured the specific need to disclose the information and the 77 applicant or insured expressly consents to the disclosure, or 78 the disclosure is necessary to quote or bind coverage, continue 79 coverage, or adjust a claim. For purposes of underwriting and issuing insurance coverage, this sub-subparagraph does not 80 prevent the sharing of information between an insurance company 81 82 and its licensed insurance agent if a separate rider has been 83 voluntarily requested by the policyholder or prospective policyholder to insure a firearm or a firearm collection whose 84 85 value exceeds the standard policy coverage. 86 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014. 87 88 89 90 TITLE AMENDMENT Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert: 91 A bill to be entitled 92 93 An act relating to discriminatory insurance practices; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; providing that unfair discrimination on the 94 95 basis of gun ownership in the provision of personal lines 209053 - h0255-strike.docx Published On: 2/3/2014 6:05:51 PM

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- 96 property or personal lines automobile insurance is a
- 97 discriminatory insurance practice; clarifying that insurers are
- 98 not prevented from charging supplemental premiums or sharing
- 99 information between an insurer and its agent if a separate rider
- 100 has been requested; providing an effective date.

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