COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/HB 331 (2014)

Amendment No. 1

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1	Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Insurance & Banking	
2	Subcommittee	
3	Representative Fullwood offered the following:	
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5	Amendment (with title amendment)	
6	Remove everything	after the enacting clause and insert:
7	Section 1. Sectio	n 83.491, Florida Statutes, is created to
8	read:	
9	83.491 Insurance	requirement
10	(1) As to every w	ritten residential rental agreement
11	governed by this part that is entered into or renewed on or	
12	after January 1, 2015:	
13	(a) If the rental	agreement requires the tenant to obtain
14	a tenant's policy of in	surance covering loss or damage to
15	personal property, the	rental agreement must include a statement
16	in substantially the following form:	
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17	A landlord is generally not liable for loss or damage to	
18	your personal property. This rental agreement requires you	
19	to purchase and maintain a tenant's policy of insurance	
20	covering loss or damage to your personal property from a	
21	company of your choice.	
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23	(b) If the rental agreement does not require the tenant to	
24	obtain a tenant's policy of insurance covering loss or damage to	
25	personal property, the rental agreement must include a statement	
26	in substantially the following form:	
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28	A landlord is generally not liable for loss or damage	
29	to your personal property. This rental agreement does	
30	not require you to purchase or maintain a tenant's	
31	policy of insurance. However, you should consider	
32	purchasing a tenant's policy of insurance covering	
33	loss or damage to your personal property from a	
34	company of your choice.	
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36	(2) The notice required by subsection (1) must be in a	
37	type size equal to or larger than the type in the majority of	
38	the agreement and must be separately initialed by the tenant.	
39	(3) An unwritten agreement or an agreement that fails to	
40	include the required notice is presumed not to require a	
41	tenant's policy of insurance.	

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Amendment No. 1 42 (4) A tenant does not have a cause of action against a 43 landlord as a result of a landlord's failure to enforce an 44 insurance requirement. A person is not deemed a third-party 45 beneficiary of a requirement to purchase tenant's insurance. 46 Section 2. This act applies to a residential lease 47 governed by part II of chapter 83, Florida Statutes, that is 48 entered into on or after the effective date of this act. 49 Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2015. 50 51 52 53 TITLE AMENDMENT 54 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert: 55 A bill to be entitled 56 57 An act relating to residential tenant insurance policies; 58 creating s. 83.491, F.S.; requiring a written residential 59 rental agreement to include a statement specifying whether 60 insurance coverage is required; providing a form for such statement; providing notice requirements; limiting the 61 scope to written rental agreements; prohibiting a cause of 62 action relating to a landlord's failure to enforce an 63 insurance requirement; providing applicability; providing 64 65 an effective date. 034191 - h0331-strike.docx

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