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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senate

House

The Committee on Judiciary (Soto) recommended the following:
Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:
Section 1. Section 627.422, Florida Statutes, is amended to
read:
627.422 Assignment of policies; post-loss assignment of
benefits
(1) A policy may be assignable, or not assignable, as
provided by its terms. Subject to its terms relating to
assignability, any life or health insurance policy under the

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12 terms of which the beneficiary may be changed upon the sole 13 request of the policyowner may be assigned either by pledge or 14 transfer of title, by an assignment executed by the policyowner 15 alone and delivered to the insurer, regardless of whether or not 16 the pledgee or assignee is the insurer. Any such assignment 17 entitles shall entitle the insurer to deal with the assignee as the owner or pledgee of the policy in accordance with the terms 18 19 of the assignment, until the insurer has received at its home 20 office written notice of termination of the assignment or pledge 21 or written notice by or on behalf of some other person claiming 22 some interest in the policy in conflict with the assignment.

(2) (a) A personal lines residential property insurance or commercial residential property insurance policy may not prohibit the post-loss assignment of benefits; however, a policyowner is limited to assigning only the benefits of such policy which are applicable to the work performed or to be performed by the assignee as a result of the loss.

(b) Before an assignment may be made under paragraph (a), an assignee shall provide the policyowner with a written listing of the work to be performed. If it is later determined that additional work is required as a result of the loss, the policyowner must receive and approve a written listing of the additional work before the additional work is performed. The assignee must provide the policyowner with legible copies of all estimates and invoices sent by the assignee to the insurer. Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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41	Delete everything before the enacting clause
42	and insert:
43	A bill to be entitled
44	An act relating to assignment of post-loss insurance
45	policy benefits; amending s. 627.422, F.S.; providing
46	that certain residential property insurance policies
47	may not prohibit the post-loss assignment of benefits;
48	limiting policyowners of such policies to assigning
49	only the policy benefits that are applicable to the
50	work performed or to be performed by the assignee as a
51	result of the loss; requiring an assignee to provide
52	the policyholder with specified listings of work and
53	legible copies of all estimates and invoices sent by
54	the assignee to the insurer; providing an effective
55	date.