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The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Torres) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 2593 and 2594 insert:

(9) An insurer shall notify each first-party claimant or beneficiary that they may obtain copies of claim-related documents upon request. As used in this subsection, the term "claim-related documents" means all documents related to the evaluation of damages, including, but not limited to, repair and

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10	replacement estimates and bids; appraisals; scopes of loss;
11	drawings, plans, and reports; third-party findings on the amount
12	of loss, covered damages, and the cost of repairs; and all other
13	valuation, measurement, and loss adjustment calculations of the
14	amount of loss. However, attorney work product and attorney-
15	client privileged documents and documents that indicate fraud by
16	the insured or that contain medically privileged information are
17	excluded from the documents an insurer is required to provide to
18	a claimant pursuant to this subsection. Within 15 calendar days
19	after receiving a request from an insured or a beneficiary for
20	claim-related documents, the insurer shall provide the insured
21	or beneficiary with copies of all claim-related documents except
22	those excluded by this section. This subsection may not be
23	construed to affect existing litigation discovery rights.
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25	===== DIRECTORY CLAUSE AMENDMENT =====
26	And the directory clause is amended as follows:
27	Delete line 2441
28	and insert:
29	subsection (10), a new subsection (8) and subsection (9) are
30	added to that section,
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32	========= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ==========
33	And the title is amended as follows:
34	Delete line 114
35	and insert:
36	under which certain requirements are tolled; requiring
37	insurers to notify first-party claimants and
38	beneficiaries that they may obtain copies of claim-



39	related documents upon request; defining the term
40	"claim-related documents"; providing an exception;
41	requiring insurers to provide such documents within a
42	specified timeframe; providing