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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee Representative Yeager offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 52-101 and insert:

(e) The policy or policies may either pay 100 percent of claims as they are incurred, or pay 100 percent of claims due in the event of the association's failure to pay claims when due.

Section 2. Subsections (3) and (4), paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (6), and paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section 634.406, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

634.406 Financial requirements.-

(3) An association will not be required to establish an unearned premium reserve if it has purchased contractual liability insurance which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the office that 100 percent of its claim exposure is covered by

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such policy <u>or policies</u>. The contractual liability insurance shall be obtained from an insurer <u>or insurers</u> that <u>hold holds</u> a certificate of authority to do business within the state. For the purposes of this subsection, the contractual liability policy or policies shall contain the following provisions:

- (a) In the event that the service warranty association does not fulfill its obligation under contracts issued in this state for any reason, including insolvency, bankruptcy, or dissolution, the contractual liability insurer or insurers will pay losses and unearned premium refunds under such plans directly to the person making a claim under the contract.
- (b) The insurer <u>or insurers</u> issuing the contractual liability policy <u>or policies</u> shall assume full responsibility for the administration of claims in the event of the inability of the association to do so.
- (c) The policy <u>or policies</u> may not be canceled or not renewed by either the insurer <u>or insurers</u> or the association unless 60 days' written notice thereof has been given to the office by the insurer <u>or insurers</u> before the date of such cancellation or nonrenewal.
- (d) The contractual liability insurance policy <u>or policies</u> shall insure all service warranty contracts which were issued while the policy <u>or policies were was in effect whether or not the premium has been remitted to the insurer <u>or insurers</u>.</u>

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(e) In the event the issuer or issuers of the contractual
liability policy $\underline{\text{or policies are}}$ $\underline{\text{is}}$ fulfilling the service
warranty covered by policy or policies and in the event the
service warranty holder cancels the service warranty, it is the
responsibility of the contractual liability policy issuer $\underline{\text{or}}$
<u>issuers</u> to effectuate a full refund of unearned premium to the
consumer. This refund shall be subject to the cancellation fee
provisions of s. 634.414 . The salesperson or agent shall refund
to the contractual liability policy issuer <u>or issuers</u> the
unearned pro rata commission.

- (f) An association may not utilize both the unearned premium reserve and contractual liability insurance simultaneously. However, an association shall be allowed to have contractual liability coverage on service warranties previously sold and sell new service warranties covered by the unearned premium reserve, and the converse of this shall also be allowed. An association must be able to distinguish how each individual service warranty is covered.
- (g) The policy or policies may either pay 100 percent of claims as they are incurred, or pay 100 percent of claims due in the event of the association's failure to pay claims when due.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove lines 4-9 and insert:

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634.3077, F.S.; making technical changes; revising the requirements for the contractual liability policies; amending s. 634.406, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which certain service warranty associations are not required to establish unearned premium reserves or to maintain contractual liability insurance and are authorized to allow their premiums to exceed specified ratios; revising the requirements for the contractual liability policies;

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