1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to homeowner's insurance premium 3 reductions; creating s. 627.70171, F.S.; providing a 4 short title; providing legislative intent; providing 5 definitions; requiring premium reductions to be 6 applied to homeowners who maintain certain claim-free 7 periods; providing requirements for such premium 8 reductions; providing that homeowners who file major 9 storm claims remain eligible for premium reductions; 10 requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to 11 determine premium reduction schedules for such 12 homeowners; prohibiting homeowners' insurers from treating major storm claims as certain other claims; 13 14 requiring premium reductions for certain mitigation 15 upgrades; providing duties and publication 16 requirements for the office; providing reporting requirements for insurers; providing rulemaking 17 authority; providing an effective date. 18

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Section 627.70171, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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627.70171 Homeowner's insurance premium reductions based on claim-free periods and mitigation upgrades.—

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26	(1) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the
27	"Homeowner Savings and Premium Reduction Act."
28	(2) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.—It is the intent of the
29	Legislature that:
30	(a) Responsible homeowners receive lower property
31	insurance premiums.
32	(b) Homeowners who maintain their property in good
33	condition and avoid making insurance claims be rewarded with
34	predictable, automatic savings.
35	(c) Homeowners who file legitimate claims related to major
36	storms not be penalized.
37	(d) Homeowners be incentivized to protect their homes by
38	implementing housing hardening, mitigation upgrades, and
39	infrastructure improvements.
40	(e) This legislation improve insurers' transparency and
41	accountability in how premium reductions are applied.
42	(3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
43	(a) "Claim-free period" means a continuous period with no
44	filed or paid claims excluding major storm claims.
45	(b) "Major storm claim" means a claim resulting solely
46	from a named storm or hurricane as designated by the National
47	Hurricane Center.
48	(c) "Mitigation upgrade" means a property improvement,
49	<pre>such as roof reinforcement, shutters, floor barriers, tie-downs,</pre>
50	impact-resistant windows, and reinforced doors, which are

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approved by the office to reduce the property risk to hazard events.

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- (4) MANDATORY PREMIUM REDUCTIONS FOR CLAIM-FREE PERIODS.-
- (a) A property insurer issuing, delivering, issuing for delivery, or renewing a homeowner's insurance policy in this state on or after July 1, 2026, shall automatically apply premium reductions for policyholders who maintain a 36-month claim-free period.
- (b) The premium reductions required under paragraph (a)
 must be:
 - 1. Statewide, uniform, and actuarially sound.
- 2. Published annually by the office based on actuarial review.
- 3. Applied at policy renewals or, if the 36-month claimfree period is reached early, before policy renewals.
- 4. Automatic. An insurer may not require homeowners to request the reduction.
- (c) A homeowner who files only major storm claims remains eligible for premium reductions. The office shall determine the premium reduction schedule for such homeowners, except that a homeowner with one major storm claim in a 36-month claim-free period is entitled to a full premium reduction.
- (d) An insurer may not treat major storm claims in the same way as preventable or maintenance-related claims.
 - (5) MITIGATION UPGRADES.—

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(a) A property insurer issuing, delivering, issuing for delivery, or renewing a homeowner's insurance policy in this state on or after July 1, 2026, shall give premium reductions to homeowners who complete office-approved mitigation upgrades. The premium reductions for mitigation upgrades are separate from the premium reductions that are based on claim-free periods.

- (b) The office shall create a list of eligible mitigation upgrades, set premium reduction percentages based on mitigation upgrades, and maintain a database of approved contractors and products. Such list, percentages, and database shall be accessible on the office's website.
 - (6) ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—
- (a) By January 1 of every year, each homeowner's insurer shall submit a report on the premium reductions under this section to the office, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the chairs of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over matters of insurance.
 - 1. The report must include:

- <u>a.</u> The number of policyholders eligible for premium reductions under this section.
- b. The number of policyholders receiving premium reductions under this section.
 - c. The total dollar value of premium reductions provided.
 - d. The number of major storm claims and the number of non-

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101	major storm claims.
102	2. The data submitted under subparagraph 1. must be broken
103	down by county and coverage type.
104	(b) The office shall publish, for transparency and public
105	trust, an annual statewide summary report on the data gathered
106	from the reports submitted by homeowner's insurers under
107	paragraph (a).
108	(7) RULEMAKING.—The office may adopt rules to enforce:
109	(a) Premium reduction schedules.
110	(b) Mitigation upgrade standards.
111	(c) Insurer reporting requirements.
112	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

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