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BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 404
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with the comma in line 4 down through “payments;” in line 5 and substitute “and certain claim forms; providing that the lack of a certain statement does not constitute a defense in certain proceedings;”; in line 5, strike “a certain exception” and substitute “certain exceptions”; and in line 6, strike “providing for the application of this Act” and substitute “requiring certain insurers to comply with this Act on or before a certain date”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 2, strike “**ALL**” and substitute “**EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, ALL**”; strike beginning with “**PROVIDED**” in line 3 down through the comma in line 4; in line 5, strike “**A**” and substitute “**THE FOLLOWING**”; strike beginning with the comma in line 5 down through “**FOLLOWING**” in line 6 and substitute “**OR A SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR STATEMENT**”; strike in their entirety lines 7 through 12, inclusive, and substitute:

“ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY PRESENTS A FALSE OR FRAUDULENT CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF A LOSS OR BENEFIT OR WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY PRESENTS FALSE INFORMATION IN AN APPLICATION FOR INSURANCE IS GUILTY OF A CRIME AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO FINES AND CONFINEMENT IN PRISON.”;

after line 15, insert:

“(B) SUBSECTION (A)(1) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

(Over)

(1) REINSURANCE APPLICATIONS OR CLAIM FORMS; OR

(2) THE UNIFORM CLAIMS FORM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF HOSPITAL SERVICES OR THE UNIFORM CLAIMS FORM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS SERVICES ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSIONER UNDER § 15-1003 OF THIS ARTICLE.”;

and strike in their entirety lines 16 through 28, inclusive.