

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1203
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Underwriting and Policy Exclusions –” and substitute “Policy Exclusions for”; in line 3, strike “Breed or Size of Dog” and substitute “Breeds or Mixed Breeds of Dogs –”; in line 8, after “requiring” insert “certain”; strike beginning with “use” in line 9 down through the first “to” in line 10 and substitute “exclude coverage for losses caused by specific breeds or specific mixed breeds of dogs under”; in line 10, after “insurance” insert “policies”; in the same line, after “provide” insert “a”; in the same line, strike “notices” and substitute “notice”; in the same line, strike “the” and substitute “an”; in line 11, strike “under certain circumstances” and substitute “at certain times”; in line 12, strike “underwriting and”; and in line 14, strike “with” and substitute “without”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 2, strike the brackets; strike beginning with the semicolon in line 4 down through “POLICY” in line 6; and strike in their entirety lines 13 through 30, inclusive, and substitute:

“(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO AN INSURER THAT OFFERS A HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE OR RENTER’S INSURANCE POLICY IN THE STATE THAT DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR LOSSES CAUSED BY SPECIFIC BREEDS OR SPECIFIC MIXED BREEDS OF DOGS.

“(B) AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION FOR OR ISSUANCE OF A POLICY OF HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE OR RENTER’S INSURANCE, AND AT EACH RENEWAL OF A POLICY OF HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE OR RENTER’S INSURANCE, AN INSURER SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE TO AN APPLICANT OR AN INSURED A WRITTEN NOTICE THAT:

(Over)

(1) STATES THAT THE POLICY DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR LOSSES CAUSED BY SPECIFIC BREEDS OR SPECIFIC MIXED BREEDS OF DOGS; AND

(2) IDENTIFIES THE SPECIFIC BREEDS OR SPECIFIC MIXED BREEDS OF DOGS FOR WHICH THE POLICY DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERAGE.

(C) AN INSURER SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION MAY PROVIDE THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IN THE ANNUAL STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER § 19-205 OF THIS SUBTITLE.”.

On page 4, in line 3, strike “October 1, 2013” and substitute “January 1, 2014”.