## **HOUSE BILL No. 5606**

February 24, 1998, Introduced by Reps. Scott, Vaughn, Hale, Bogardus, Murphy, Thomas, Rison, Schauer, Parks and Kilpatrick and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956," by amending section 1224 (MCL 500.1224), as amended by 1981 PA 1.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1224. (1) An application for a license to act as an
- 2 adjuster shall be made to the commissioner on forms prescribed by
- 3 the commissioner.
- 4 (2) Within a reasonable time after receipt of a properly
- 5 completed application form, the commissioner may subject the
- 6 applicant to a written examination, and may conduct investiga-
- 7 tions and propound interrogatories concerning the applicant's
- 8 qualifications, residence, business affiliations, and any other
- 9 matter <del>which</del> THAT the commissioner considers necessary or
- 10 advisable to determine compliance with this chapter, or for the

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- 1 protection of the public. The commissioner shall make a decision
- 2 on the application within 60 days after receipt of a properly
- 3 completed application form.
- 4 (3) After examination, investigation, and interrogatories,
- 5 the commissioner shall issue a license to an applicant if the
- 6 commissioner determines that the applicant possesses reasonable
- 7 understanding of the provisions, terms, and conditions of the
- 8 insurance with which the applicant will deal, possesses reason-
- 9 able understanding of the insurance laws of this state, intends
- 10 in good faith to act as an adjuster, possesses a good business
- 11 reputation, and possesses good moral character to act as an
- 12 adjuster. Persons currently licensed and new licenses issued
- 13 shall be ARE subject to any additional restrictions under which
- 14 a resident of this state would be licensed in the jurisdiction in
- 15 which the applicant resides. Any such restriction shall be
- 16 imposed by the commissioner upon the date set for payment of the
- 17 license fee. The commissioner shall not issue a new license or
- 18 accept an annual license fee continuing a current license to -a-
- 19 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 20 (A) A person residing in a state that denies a comparable
- 21 license to a resident of this state solely because of residency.
- 22 (B) A PERSON WHO RECEIVED HIS OR HER INITIAL ADJUSTER'S
- 23 LICENSE IN A STATE THAT DENIES A COMPARABLE LICENSE TO A RESIDENT
- 24 OF THIS STATE SOLELY BECAUSE OF RESIDENCY IF THAT PERSON IS STILL
- 25 LICENSED AS AN ADJUSTER IN THAT STATE.
- 26 (4) The commissioner shall not issue a license to act as an
- 27 adjuster to a person who is employed by, owns stock in, is an

1 officer or director of, or in any other manner is connected with,

2 a fire repair contractor.

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