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HOUSE BILL 1690

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- AN ACT Relating to informing policyholders about insurer name 1 2 changes; and amending RCW 48.05.190.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- **Sec. 1.** RCW 48.05.190 and 1947 c 79 s .05.19 are each amended to 4 5 read as follows:
 - (1) Every insurer shall conduct its business in its own legal name.
- 7 (2) No insurer shall assume or use a name deceptively similar to that of any other authorized insurer. 8
- 9 (3) Every insurer that changes its name, whether it is a trade name or legal name, shall send a written notification to all affected 10 policyholders about the name change. The notification must be sent by 11

certified mail or other means requiring proof of delivery. 12

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