FINAL BILL REPORT ESHB 2036

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning the sale of consumer credit unemployment insurance.

Sponsors: House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representative L. Thomas).

House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance Senate Committee on Financial Institutions & Housing

Background: The Office of the Insurance Commissioner regulates insurance in Washington. Agents and brokers must be licensed by the Insurance Commissioner. The Insurance Commissioner may issue a limited license for transacting credit life and casualty insurance. Credit life insurance generally pays off the loan balance in the event of the death of a borrower. Credit casualty insurance generally covers part or all of the monthly payment when a covered event interferes with a borrower's ability to repay the loan. Examples of covered events include an accident, a disability, or involuntary unemployment.

Summary: A person may obtain information from a borrower related to processing a credit casualty insurance request without being a licensed agent or broker. The Insurance Commissioner may issue a limited license to allow transaction of credit casualty insurance.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 95 0 Senate 39 1

Effective: July 23, 1995