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House Bill 4727

Sponsor: Rep. David Anthony

Committee: Insurance

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4727 AS INTRODUCED 4-30-97

The bill would amend the Insurance Code to prohibit an insurance company from refusing to insure, refusing to continue to insure, or limiting the coverage available to an otherwise eligible person for home insurance because the person was a foster parent to a foster child and the child had been convicted of, found responsible for, or placed in a diversion program for, arson or conspiracy to commit arson.

(The bill would amend a section of the Insurance Code known as the Essential Insurance Act, which restricts the reasons for which an insurance company can deny a customer auto or home insurance. The act describes who is and is not an "eligible person" for purposes of the act. For home insurance, the term "eligible person" excludes, among others, an owner-occupant or tenant who had been convicted in the immediately preceding five-year period of arson or conspiracy to commit arson, and some other fire-related and explosives-related offenses, or a person who had a home insurance claim in excess a specified amount denied based on evidence of arson, conspiracy to commit arson, or fraud committed by the person or on behalf of the person.)

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