SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5197

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled "The insurance code of 1956,"

(MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 4506.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 4506. (1) An insurer that reasonably believes or knows 1 that a fraudulent insurance act under section 4503 has occurred 2 involving a Michigan policyholder or a claim for benefits submitted 3 through the assigned claims plan shall send to the director, on a 4 form prescribed by the director, the information requested by the 5 6 form and any additional information relative to the factual 7 circumstances of the alleged fraudulent insurance act and the parties claiming loss or damages that the director may require. The 8

director shall review reports and make any further investigation

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- 1 the director considers necessary. If the director considers it
- 2 appropriate after investigation, the director may report the
- 3 suspected fraudulent insurance act to the insurer, the appropriate
- 4 authorized agency, the prosecuting attorney of the county in which
- 5 the fraudulent insurance act occurred, or the attorney general.
- 6 (2) This section does not require an insurer to submit to the
- 7 director the form under subsection (1) in either of the following
- 8 circumstances:
- 9 (a) The insurer's initial investigation indicated a
- 10 potentially fraudulent insurance act, but further investigation
- 11 revealed that the act was not a fraudulent insurance act.
- 12 (b) The insurer does not have reasonable grounds to believe
- 13 that a fraudulent insurance act occurred.
- 14 (3) This section does not relieve an insurer of the insurer's
- 15 obligations to also report suspected violations of law to an
- 16 authorized agency.
- 17 (4) An authorized agency shall submit all papers, documents,
- 18 reports, complaints, or other facts or evidence to the director on
- 19 request. The authorized agency shall otherwise assist and cooperate
- 20 with the director's investigation under this section.