

**(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)**

**INSURANCE. Creates an advisory committee to study the feasibility of authorizing public adjusters to charge consumers on a contingency fee basis for loss adjustment services.**

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DIGEST

Creates an advisory committee to undertake all necessary study to determine the feasibility of authorizing public adjusters to charge consumers on a contingency fee basis for loss adjustment services and make recommendations to the House Committee on Insurance and Senate Committee on Insurance. Provides for membership of the advisory committee as follows:

- (1) The commissioner of insurance or his designee.
- (2) The president of the La. State Bar Association or his designee.
- (3) The chief executive officer of the Independent Insurance Agents of America or his designee.
- (4) The president of the American Association of Public Adjusters or his designee.
- (5) The president of the National Association of Public Insurance Adjusters or his designee.
- (6) A member appointed by the governor to represent licensed public adjusters in La.
- (7) A member appointed by the La. Association of Justice.
- (8) A member appointed by the La. Association of Defense Counsel.

Provides that the members of the advisory committee shall serve without compensation.

Requires that the advisory committee complete its study and report its findings and recommendations to the House and Senate committees on insurance prior Feb. 1, 2011.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs to the original bill.

- 1. Adds to the advisory committee a member appointed by the La. Association of Justice and a member appointed by the La. Association of Defense Counsel.