

SENATE BILL NO. 34

BY SENATORS LUNEAU AND BARROW

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1923(2)(q), relative to fraudulent insurance acts; to provide that amending or altering the original adjuster's or appraiser's repair estimate without the documented permission of the adjuster is a fraudulent insurance act; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 22:1923(2)(q) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1923. Definitions

As used in this Part, the following terms have the meanings indicated in this Section:

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(2) "Fraudulent insurance act" includes but is not limited to acts or omissions committed by any person who, knowingly and with intent to defraud, does any of the following:

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(q) Amends or alters the original adjuster's or appraiser's repair estimate; amends or alters a revision to the original adjuster's or appraiser's repair estimate; or amends or alters a supplemental estimate without documentation in the claim file or other means of notification to the issuer of the estimate.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2026.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____