HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 257 by Representative Ritchie

INSURANCE/PROPERTY: Adds a member to the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation's board of directors

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Adds a provision that provides with respect to the corporation's implementation of parish-wide rate increases in excess of twenty-five percent on wind and hail insurance coverage. Requires the corporation to notify the House and Senate committees on insurance prior to the implementation of such increase, at which time the chairman from either committee or a majority of either committee's membership may request a joint meeting for the purpose of hearing the basis and methodology for such increase.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> provides for 15 members on the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation's (Corporation) board of directors.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a member to the Corporation's board of directors. Further provides that the member will be appointed by the commissioner of insurance from a list of three nominees by the Louisiana Chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the quorum requirement of the Corporation's board of directors <u>from</u> seven to eight.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the corporation to notify the House and Senate committees on insurance prior to the implementation of any parish-wide rate increase on wind and hail coverage that averages in excess of 25 percent for any single parish.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that either chairman or a majority of the membership from either committee may request a joint committee to hear the basis and methodology for such increase.

(Amends R.S. 22:2294(B); Adds R.S. 22:2294(A)(11) and 2303(A)(4))