

Substitute House Bill No. 5204

Public Act No. 18-105

AN ACT CONCERNING LAW AND ORDINANCE COVERAGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 38a-308 of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019, and applicable to policies made, issued or delivered on or after said date*):

(b) Any policy or contract that includes, either on an unspecified basis as to coverage or for an indivisible premium, coverage against the peril of fire and substantial coverage against other perils need not comply with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, provided: (1) Such policy or contract shall afford coverage, with respect to the peril of fire, not less than the substantial equivalent of the coverage afforded by said standard fire insurance policy; (2) except as provided under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section for a policy or contract of fire insurance for a commercial property made, issued or delivered by a nonadmitted insurer or any agent or representative thereof, the following provisions in said standard fire insurance policy are incorporated therein without change: (A) Mortgagee interests and obligations, (B) the definitions of actual cash value and depreciation, (C) the time period for when a loss is payable after proof of loss, and (D) the time period for when a suit or action for the recovery of a claim

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may be commenced; (3) <u>such policy or contract shall afford coverage</u>, in an amount not greater than the amount specified in such policy or <u>contract</u>, for the increased cost of repair or reconstruction by reason of <u>ordinances or laws regulating such repair or reconstruction; (4)</u> such policy or contract is complete as to all of its terms without reference to any other document; and [(4)] (5) the commissioner is satisfied that such policy or contract complies with the provisions hereof. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any such policy or contract issued or renewed on or after July 1, 2014.

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