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PA 18-105—sHB 5204 Insurance and Real Estate Committee

AN ACT CONCERNING LAW AND ORDINANCE COVERAGE

SUMMARY: This act requires fire insurance policies and contracts (e.g., homeowners insurance policies) that do not use the standard fire insurance form to cover repair or reconstruction costs incurred due to laws or ordinances regulating such work (e.g., the increased cost of repair required to bring a property into compliance with the building code).

By law, fire insurance policies and contracts must generally comply with the standard fire insurance form requirements specified in CGS § 38a-307. However, existing law allows insurers to issue a policy or contract that does not comply with the standard form if it meets certain criteria. The act requires such a policy or contract to provide law and ordinance coverage, up to the limit specified in the policy.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019, and applicable to policies made, issued, or delivered on or after that date.