

Senate

File No. 214

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Substitute Senate Bill No. 1385

Senate, March 25, 2025

The Committee on Insurance and Real Estate reported through SEN. CABRERA of the 17th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF FLOOD INSURANCE COVERAGE OPTIONS FOR OWNERS OF RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY.

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

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) The Insurance Commissioner shall
- 2 conduct a study of flood insurance coverage options for owners of
- 3 residential or commercial property in this state and evaluate practices
- 4 to increase access to and awareness of such coverage options for owners
- 5 of residential or commercial property. Not later than February 1, 2026,
- 6 the Insurance Commissioner shall submit a report, in accordance with
- 7 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint
- 8 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
- 9 matters relating to insurance on the findings of such study.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

New section

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from passage

Section 1

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Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In the first sentence, "commercial properties." was changed to "commercial property." for consistency.

INS Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Insurance Dept.	IF - Cost	20,000 -	None
		30,000	

Note: IF=Insurance Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Insurance Department to conduct a study of flood insurance coverage options for certain property owners by February 1, 2026. This results in a one-time cost of \$20,000 to \$30,000 in FY 26 associated with hiring a contractor to complete the study.

The Out Years

The cost is one-time in nature and does not result in a fiscal impact in the out years. sSB1385 File No. 214

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Insurance and Real Estate Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 13 Nay 0 (03/11/2025)