

General Assembly

January Session, 2021

## Raised Bill No. 6625

LCO No. **3406** 

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

## AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO ADOPT REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC ADJUSTERS.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 38a-723 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2021*):
- As used in this title <u>and section 2 of this act</u>, unless the context or subject matter otherwise requires, "public adjuster" means any person, partnership, association, limited liability company or corporation who or which:
- (1) On behalf of an insured and for monetary or other compensation
  or anything of value, (A) prepares, documents and submits a first-party
  property claim to an insurance company for loss or damage by a covered
  peril under a personal or commercial risk insurance policy, as defined
  in section 38a-663, issued by such company, or (B) negotiates, adjusts or
  effects the settlement of such claim;
- 13 (2) Advertises or solicits business as a public adjuster; or

(3) Holds himself or itself out to the public as engaging in the
activities set forth in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision (1) of this
section as a business. Lawyers settling claims of clients shall not be
deemed to be public adjusters.

- 18 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2021*) The Insurance Commissioner
- 19 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54
- 20 of the general statutes, to establish continuing education requirements
- 21 for public adjusters.

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

Section 1	October 1, 2021	38a-723
Sec. 2	October 1, 2021	New section

## **INS** Joint Favorable