

General Assembly

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## Raised Bill No. 5246

LCO No. **1650** 

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

## AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC POSTING OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY INSURERS.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2024*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of title 38a of the general statutes and except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, an insurer may post on such insurer's Internet web site any policy, as defined in section 38a-296 of the general statutes, and any endorsement thereto, provided such policy or endorsement does not contain any personally identifiable information.

(b) If such insurer elects to post such policy or endorsement on such
insurer's Internet web site in lieu of mailing or delivering such policy or
endorsement to an insured, such insurer shall:

10 (1) Post and have accessible on such insurer's Internet web site such 11 policy and any endorsement for as long as such policy is in force and in 12 such manner that enables the insured to save and print such policy and 13 any endorsement using programs or applications that are readily 14 available on the Internet and free to use; (2) Retain, upon the expiration of a policy, records of such expired
policy and any endorsement thereto for a period of five years after the
date of such expiration and make such records available upon request;

18 (3) Provide to the insured in, or simultaneous with, each declarations 19 page provided to the insured at the time of issuance of the initial policy 20 and any renewals of such policy (A) a description of the specific policy 21 and any endorsement thereto purchased by the insured, (B) a method 22 by which the insured may obtain, free of charge upon request, a paper 23 copy of the policy and any endorsement thereto, and (C) the Internet 24 web site address where such insured's policy and any endorsement are 25 posted;

(4) Provide notice to the insured, at the time of any changes to the
policy or endorsement, of a method by which the insured may obtain,
free of charge upon request, a paper copy of the policy and any
endorsement thereto and any changes to such policy or endorsement;
and

(5) Provide notice to the insured, that such insured may, at any time,
submit a request to the insurer to opt out of electronic delivery of such
insured's policy and any endorsement thereto.

(c) If an insured submits a request to the insurer to opt out of electronic delivery of such insured's policy and any endorsement thereto, such insurer shall mail or deliver a paper copy of such policy and any endorsement and any changes to such policy or endorsement to such insured in lieu of posting on such insurer's Internet web site any such policy or endorsement as set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

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

Section 1	October 1, 2024	New section
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## Statement of Purpose:

To allow insurers to post certain insurance policies and endorsements on such insurers' Internet web sites.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]