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House Bill 1011

By: Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Gullett of the 19th, Daniel of the 117th, Leverett of the 123rd, Cannon of the 172nd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 33-6-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other
- 2 unfair methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts or practices in the business of
- 3 insurance, so as to prohibit an insurer from canceling, modifying coverage, refusing to issue,
- 4 or refusing to renew any property or casualty insurance policy solely because the applicant
- 5 or insured inquires about or submits a claim for which no payment is made; to provide for
- 6 related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws;
- 7 and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 SECTION 1.

- 10 Code Section 33-6-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other unfair
- 11 methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts or practices in the business of
- insurance, is amended by deleting "and" at the end of paragraph (13), by replacing the period
- with "; and" at the end of paragraph (14), and by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:
- 14 "(15) No insurer shall cancel, modify coverage, refuse to issue, or refuse to renew any
- property or casualty insurance policy solely because the applicant or insured inquires
- about or submits a claim for which no payment is made."

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17 SECTION 2.

- 18 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2023, and shall apply to all property or casualty
- 19 policies issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after such date.

20 SECTION 3.

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.