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| 1  | AN ACT relating to trade practices.  |
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| 2  | Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:           |
| 3  | →SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 365 IS CREATED TO                       |
| 4  | READ AS FOLLOWS:   |
| 5  | (1) For the purposes of this section:  |
| 6  | (a) ''Prohibited advertisement'' means any written or electronic                 |
| 7  | communications by a contractor that encourages, instructs, or induces a          |
| 8  | residential property owner to contact any insurance company personnel for        |
| 9  | the purpose of making an insurance claim for roof damage. This includes          |
| 10 | but is not limited to door hangers, business cards, magnets, flyers.             |
| 11 | pamphlets, and emails; and   |
| 12 | (b) "Solicit" means to contact a residential property owner in person or         |
| 13 | through electronic means, including but not limited to email or telephone.       |
| 14 | (2) A person shall not:  |
| 15 | (a) Solicit a residential property owner by means of a prohibited advertisement; |
| 16 | (b) Offer a residential property owner a rebate, gift card, cash, coupon, or     |
| 17 | waiver of any insurance deductible, or any other thing of value in exchange      |
| 18 | <u>for:</u>  |
| 19 | 1. Allowing a person to conduct an inspection of the residential property        |
| 20 | owner's roof; or   |
| 21 | 2. Making an insurance claim for damage to the residential property              |
| 22 | owner's roof in a way that purports to interpret an insurance policy;            |
| 23 | (c) Offer, deliver, receive, or accept any compensation, inducement, or reward   |
| 24 | for the referral of any services for which insurance proceeds are payable;       |
| 25 | (d) Interpret policy provisions or advertise to an insured regarding coverage of |
| 26 | duties of the insured under his or her property insurance policy or adjust a     |
| 27 | property insurance claim on behalf of the insured, unless the person holds of    |

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| 1  | license as a public adjuster pursuant to KRS 304.9-430; or                             |
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| 2  | (e) Provide an insured with an agreement authorizing repairs without                   |
| 3  | providing a good-faith estimate of the itemized and detailed cost of services          |
| 4  | and materials for repairs undertaken pursuant to a property insurance                  |
| 5  | claim. If the actual repairs differ from the initial estimate as a result of an        |
| 6  | insurer adjusting the claim, it shall not be a violation of this subsection.           |
| 7  | (3) This section shall not apply if the trade practices are in regard to a residential |
| 8  | property that is located within an area named in a Presidential Declaration of         |
| 9  | Disaster or an executive order of the Governor that declares a state of emergency      |
| 10 | under KRS Chapter 39A.   |