

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1010

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1146 and 1147 of the House Journal and pages 885 and 886 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1010 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 11, replace "4,020,813" with "4,045,813"

Page 1, line 12, replace "1,244,742" with "1,228,289"

Page 1, line 14, replace "5,306,000" with "5,314,547"

Page 2, after line 19, insert:

"SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - BUDGET SECTION REPORT. It is the intent of the legislative assembly that the insurance commissioner utilize \$25,000 appropriated in section 1 of this Act to analyze during the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1999, the amount of insurance payments to fire departments distributed to fire districts in fiscal years 1996, 1997, and 1998 and present a report to the budget section in December 1998 containing the commissioner's findings and the actions taken to stabilize the distribution of funds to each fire district."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

DEPARTMENT 401 - INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE - This amendment makes the following changes:

	HOUSE VERSION	REMOVE RISK MANAGEMENT PREMIUMS	FIRE DISTRICT PAYMENT STUDY	TOTAL CHANGES TO HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE INCREASE (DECREASE) TO SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$4,020,813		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$4,045,813	\$4,058,313	\$(12,500)
Operating expenses	1,244,742	\$(16,453)		(16,453)	1,228,289	1,228,289	
Equipment	40,445				40,445	42,945	(2,500)
Computer network project	<u>275,000</u>				<u>275,000</u>	<u>275,000</u>	
Total special funds	\$5,581,000	\$(16,453)	\$25,000	\$ 8,547	\$5,589,547	\$5,604,547	\$(15,000)
FTE	45.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.50	46.00	(0.50)
Payments to fire departments	<u>\$5,200,000</u>				<u>\$5,200,000</u>	<u>\$5,200,000</u>	
Total special funds	\$5,200,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$5,200,000	\$5,200,000	\$ 0

* Adds funding from excess revenue in the insurance regulatory trust fund generated from the 1995-97 biennium increase in insurance agent license fees relating to the department's new computer system. The additional \$25,000 is for the department to hire temporary personnel to analyze payments to fire districts. The Senate added \$40,000 from the insurance regulatory trust fund and a .5 FTE position for this purpose.

A section of legislative intent is added providing that the Insurance Commissioner analyze fire district payments distributed during 1996, 1997, and 1998 and report to the Budget Section in December 1998 on the commissioner's findings and actions taken to stabilize the payments to fire districts.