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H.B. No. 941

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to restrictions on the use of claims history for certain water damage.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2, Article 5.35-4, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (4) to read as follows:

(4) "Appliance" means a household device operated by gas or electric current, including hoses directly attached to the device. The term includes air conditioning units, heating units, refrigerators, dishwashers, icemakers, clothes washers, water heaters, and disposals.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a residential property insurance policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2006. An insurance policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before January 1, 2006, is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.