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H.B. No. 941

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

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

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

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

7 (4) "Appliance" means a household device operated by
8 gas or electric current, including hoses directly attached to the
9 device. The term includes an air conditioning unit, heating unit,
10 refrigerator, dishwasher, icemaker, clothes washer, clothes dryer,
11 stove, oven, water heater, food warmer, trash compactor, and
12 disposer.

13 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
14 to a residential property insurance policy delivered, issued for
15 delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2006. An insurance
16 policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before January 1,
17 2006, is governed by the law in effect immediately before the
18 effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for
19 that purpose.

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