

Amend **HB 1951** (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered ARTICLE to the bill and renumbering subsequent ARTICLES of the bill accordingly:

ARTICLE _____. EMERGENCY EVACUATION LOSS COVERAGE

SECTION _____.001. Subchapter A, Chapter 2002, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Section 2002.007 to read as follows:

Sec. 2002.007. COVERAGE FOR LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF COMPLIANCE WITH EMERGENCY EVACUATION ORDER. (a) In this section:

(1) "Disaster" means the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property that results from a natural or man-made cause, including fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, wave action, oil spill or other water contamination, volcanic activity, epidemic, air contamination, blight, drought, infestation, explosion, riot, hostile military or paramilitary action, or other public calamity requiring emergency action, or an energy emergency.

(2) "Emergency evacuation order" means an official statement issued by the governing body of this state or a political subdivision of this state to recommend the evacuation of all or part of the population of an area stricken or threatened with a disaster. The term includes a declaration of local disaster under Section 418.108, Government Code.

(3) "Insurer" means an insurer authorized to write residential property insurance, including:

- (A) a county mutual insurance company;
- (B) a farm mutual insurance company;
- (C) a Lloyd's plan; and
- (D) a reciprocal or interinsurance exchange.

(4) "Political subdivision" means a county, municipality, special district, or authority of this state.

(5) "Residential property insurance" means property or property and casualty insurance covering a dwelling, including:

- (A) homeowners insurance;
- (B) residential fire and allied lines insurance;
- (C) farm and ranch insurance;
- (D) farm and ranch owners insurance; and
- (E) renter's insurance.

(b) A residential property insurance policy delivered or issued for delivery by an insurer must provide coverage that complies with this section for loss incurred as a result of compliance with an emergency evacuation order applicable to the covered property.

(c) The coverage required by this section must provide a payment for each day or part of a day that the evacuation order is in effect. The commissioner by rule shall determine the terms and conditions and applicable limits of the required coverage and the amount of the required payment.