



FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 1 (house committee printing) as follows:

2 (1) In ARTICLE VIII of the bill, following the
3 appropriations to the Department of Insurance (page VIII-16), add
4 the following appropriately numbered rider and renumber subsequent
5 riders accordingly:

6 _____. Consumer Complaint Review Panel. Out of the amounts
7 appropriated above to the Department of Insurance, the department
8 shall fund the operation of a consumer complaint review panel
9 administered by the State Office of Administrative Hearings to
10 review all complaints filed by a policyholder with the department
11 and that the department denied or determined to be without merit or
12 of which the department did not confirm receipt. The panel shall
13 conduct an independent review to determine if the complaint has
14 merit and if so, remand the complaint to the department for
15 resolution.

16 (2) In ARTICLE XI of the bill, under the ARTICLE VIII items
17 for the Texas Department of Insurance (page XI-14), strike
18 "Consumer Complaint Review Panel - Rider" and the associated amount
19 for the biennium.