By: Frullo (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) (In the Senate - Received from the House April 23, 2019; April 24, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce; May 10, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 10, 2019, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

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COMMITTEE VOTE

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to the provision of flood coverage under insurance policies issued by surplus lines insurers. 1-20 1-21

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

1-22 1-23 SECTION 1. Section 981.004, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

1-24 (e) Subsections (a)(1) and (b) do not apply to flood 1-25 coverage under an insurance policy issued by an eligible surplus <u>lines insurer that has a financial strength rating of A- or better</u> <u>from the A. M. Best Company.</u> <u>SECTION 2. Section 981.004(e), Insurance Code, as added by</u> 1-26

1-27 1-28 1-29 this Act, applies only to an insurance policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020. A policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before January 1, 2020, 1-30 1-31 is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for 1-32 1-33 1-34 that purpose.

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SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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