HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

<u>April 17, 2024</u> Date

Committee on Business Affairs & Labor.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

<u>HB24-1440</u> be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

Amend printed bill, page 2, strike lines 7 through 10 and substitute
 "INSURANCE POLICIES IN THIS STATE SHALL PROVIDE A SUMMARY
 DOCUMENT IN SPANISH AND THAT SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS OF
 SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION TO:

5 (A) THE NAMED INSURED UNDER AN INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED IN 6 THIS STATE, IF THE NAMED INSURED COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE 7 INSURER THE LANGUAGE SELECTION FORM IN ACCORDANCE WITH 8 SUBSECTION (2)(c) OF THIS SECTION; OR

9 (B) ALL NAMED INSUREDS UNDER INSURANCE POLICIES ISSUED IN
 10 THIS STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (2)(d) OF THIS SECTION.

- 11 (II) THE SUMMARY DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (1)12 MUST:".
- 13 Renumber succeeding subparagraph accordingly.
- 14 Page 2, line 11, strike "PROVIDES" and substitute "PROVIDE".
- 15 Page 2, line 14, strike "INCLUDES" and substitute "INCLUDE".
- 16 Page 2, strike line 16 and substitute:
- 17 "(C) INCLUDE ANY".
- Page 3, line 1, strike "INSURED" and substitute "NAMED INSURED
 PURSUANT TO SECTION 10-4-609 OR 10-4-635".
- 20 Page 3, line 2, after "10-4-630;" add "AND".

- 1 Page 3, strike lines 3 through 6 and substitute:
- 2 "(D) BE IN THE FORM PRESCRIBED BY, AND IN A WRITTEN OR 3 ELECTRONIC FORMAT AS DETERMINED BY, THE COMMISSIONER BY RULE.".
- 4 Page 3, line 8, strike "FORM" and substitute "FORM, INCLUDING 5 SPECIFYING THE FORMAT,".
- 6 Page 3, line 11, strike "AN" and substitute "THE NAMED".
- Page 3, line 24, strike "AN" and substitute "EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN
 SUBSECTION (2)(d) OF THIS SECTION, AN".
- 9 Page 4, line 1, strike "SECTION IN EITHER ENGLISH OR SPANISH;" and
 10 substitute "SECTION;".
- Page 4, line 2, strike "OFFER AND THE" and substitute "LANGUAGESELECTION".
- 13 Page 4, line 4, strike "OFFER" and substitute "PROVIDE".
- Page 4, line 15, strike "INSURER INDICATING A LANGUAGE SELECTION,"and substitute "INSURER,".
- Page 4, strike line 17 and substitute "SECTION UPON ISSUANCE OF THE
 INITIAL INSURANCE POLICY AND AT EVERY RENEWAL OF THE INSURANCE
 POLICY. IF THE APPLICANT".
- Page 4, line 19, strike "RECEIVING" and substitute "THE INSURER SENDS"and strike "MAY" and substitute "IS NOT REQUIRED TO".
- 21 Page 4, line 20, strike "SECTION IN ENGLISH." and substitute "SECTION.".
- 22 Page 4, after line 20 insert:
- "(d) INSTEAD OF OFFERING AN APPLICANT FOR A NEW OR RENEWAL
 INSURANCE POLICY A LANGUAGE SELECTION FORM PURSUANT TO
 SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION, AN INSURER MAY COMPLY WITH THIS
 SECTION BY PROVIDING ALL NAMED INSUREDS UNDER ITS INSURANCE
 POLICIES ISSUED IN THIS STATE THE SUMMARY DOCUMENT DESCRIBED IN
 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.
- (e) BY DECEMBER 31, 2024, THE COMMISSIONER, BY RULE, SHALL
 30 CREATE AND APPROVE A LANGUAGE SELECTION FORM, IN ENGLISH AND IN

- 1 SPANISH, FOR INSURERS TO USE TO COMPLY WITH THIS SUBSECTION (2).".
- Page 4, line 23, after "COVERAGES" insert "PURSUANT TO SECTION
 10-4-609 OR 10-4-635".
- 4 Page 5, line 9, strike "COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE,".
- 5 Page 5, line 10, strike "AUTOMOBILE, HOMEOWNERS, OR RENTERS" and 6 substitute "AUTOMOBILE".
- 7 Page 5, after line 13 insert:

8 "SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-1-133, amend
9 (2)(a) as follows:

10-1-133. Consumer insurance council - creation - advisory 10 body - appointment of members - meetings - repeal. (2) (a) The 11 council consists of at least six and not more than fifteen members 12 13 appointed by the commissioner, all of whom must represent consumer 14 organizations or be consumers who are not engaged, directly or indirectly, 15 in the insurance industry or any other industry, business, or profession that might present a conflict of interest, as determined by the 16 17 commissioner, AND ONE OF WHOM MUST BE A CONSUMER WHOSE FIRST 18 LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH. To the greatest extent possible, the council 19 must reflect the geographic and demographic diversity of the state. 20 Insurance producers, insurance industry representatives, actively 21 practicing health-care providers, and any other individuals who may have 22 a conflict of interest, as determined by the commissioner, are not eligible 23 for membership on the council.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-1-136, add (3.5)
as follows:

26 10-1-136. Insurance policies - language other than English -27 increasing access for non-English-speaking consumers - definitions. 28 (3.5) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL USE COUNCILS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE 29 DIVISION, INCLUDING THE PRODUCER ADVISORY COUNCIL AND ANY OTHER 30 COUNCILS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSIONER, TO ENGAGE WITH 31 BILINGUAL INSURANCE PRODUCERS TO DISCUSS THE INSURANCE MARKET 32 FOR NON-ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONSUMERS, INCLUDING WAYS TO INCREASE 33 ACCESS TO INSURANCE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FOR 34 NON-ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONSUMERS.".

35 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

36 Before "INSURED" insert "NAMED" on: Page 2, line 14; Page 3, lines 2 and

- 1 21; **Page 4**, lines 9, 25, and 26; **Page 5**, lines 2 and 5.
- Before "INSURED'S" insert "NAMED" on: Page 3, line 14; and Page 4, line
 24.
- 4 Before "FORM" insert "LANGUAGE SELECTION" on: **Page 4**, lines 4, 7, 9,
- 5 11, 14, 18, and 19.

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