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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Permits insurer, under certain conditions, to post insurance policy and endorsements on insurer's website in lieu of mailing or delivering insurance policy and endorsements to insured.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The measure would modify the law, dealing with insurance policies, to allow the electronic posting of the general provisions of a Property or Casualty policy. Senate Bill 578 is permissive and, if it becomes law, a company would still have to decide to set up this kind of service. The company would continue to mail the policy purchaser the Declarations Page, which explains all of the specifics of that individual's policy. On that page (or on a page attached) it would show where the policyholder could go on a website to read all of the remaining (standard) language contained in the policy. It would include an 800 number where the policyholder could call and request a full copy of the policy, which would be mailed to him or her at no cost. After the policy is no longer in affect, the company would have to archive the entire policy for 5 years.