General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. **9934**

Offered by:
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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6437** File No. 64 Cal. No. 73

"AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE MARKET CONDUCT AND LICENSING."

Strike section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. Section 38a-26 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

(a) Service of process on the commissioner as provided in section 38a-25 shall be made by delivering two copies thereof to the commissioner, or to the office of the commissioner, or to an official or office of an official designated by the commissioner to receive service. The person serving process shall pay to the office of the commissioner the fee set for that service by section 38a-11, for each person or insurer to be served.

(b) The commissioner shall immediately send by registered or certified mail one copy of the process to the person to be served as follows: (1) To **[**that**]** such person's, or such person's designee's, last-known principal place of business, residence, or post-office address, or (2) if a foreign insurance company, to the secretary of the company or

designee of the company, or (3) if an alien insurance company, to the resident manager, if any, in this country, or (4) if a fraternal benefit society, to the secretary or corresponding officer of the society.

(c) The commissioner shall retain the second copy of the process for **[**his**]** the commissioner's files. The commissioner shall keep a record of all process served, showing the day and hour of service.

(d) Proof of service shall be evidenced by a certificate signed by the commissioner or by the official designated to receive service of process, showing the service made on **[**him**]** the commissioner and mailing by **[**him**]** the commissioner, attached to the second copy of the process.

(e) No plaintiff or complainant shall be entitled to a judgment or determination by default in any action or proceeding in which the process is served under this section until the expiration of forty-five days from the date of service of process commencing the action or proceeding."

Strike sections 2, 3 and 7 in their entirety and renumber the remaining sections and internal references accordingly