No on HB 3242 & HB 3243

Why Is Florida Scaling Back Bad Faith Lawsuits?

In recent years, the Florida legislature has taken up several steps to curtail bad faith lawsuits against insurers. Why? Because once bad faith lawsuits were authorized, litigation exploded.



In 2020, Florida accounted for 79% of homeowners' insurance lawsuits nationwide while accounting for only 9% of the nation's homeowners' insurance claims.

Citation: Florida Office of Insurance Regulation, July 2022

Florida's Experience with First-Party Bad Faith, similar to HB 3242



"In measuring the impact of first-party bad faith litigation, the Hamm Study ... compares Florida's uninsured/underinsured motorist pure premiums to states without a defined first-party bad faith cause of action: Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, and Washington D.C., the Hamm Study concludes that...

... Florida's average premium for this coverage is 188 percent higher than the average for the states without first-party bad faith."

Citation: Florida Senate, Interim Report to the Judiciary, November 2011

Florida's Experience with Third-Party Bad Faith, similar to HB 3243

"Florida's third-party bad-faith legal environment added an average of \$106 in claim costs to every insured vehicle in the state in 2017, and resulted in a total of \$7.6 billion in additional claim costs over the past 12 years."



Citation: Insurance Research Council, 2018

Now is Not the Time to Authorize Bad Faith Lawsuits in Oregon Vote No on HB 3242 & HB 3243

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