

SUBJECT: Termination of property insurance policies

COMMITTEE: Insurance — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 9 ayes — Smithee, Eiland, Hancock, Nash, Sheets, L. Taylor, Torres, Vo, Walle  
0 nays

WITNESSES: For — Frank Galitski, Farmers Insurance Group; (*Registered, but did not testify*: Beaman Floyd, Texas Coalition for Affordable Insurance Solutions; Susan Ross, State Farm)  
Against — None  
On — Kergin Bedell, The Office of Public Insurance Counsel; (*Registered, but did not testify*: Gary Julian, Texas Department of Insurance)

BACKGROUND: Under Insurance Code, sec. 551.105, an insurer must renew an insurance policy, at the request of the insured, upon the expiration of the policy, unless the insurer has mailed written notice of nonrenewal to the insured within 30 days of the expiration date.

DIGEST: HB 2382 would amend Insurance Code, sec. 551.105, to add a provision that the insurance policy would have to terminate on the effective date of any replacement or succeeding insurance policy with another carrier with respect to the insured automobile, home, or other property.  
The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.