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AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to requiring insurers to refund or credit to the insured a percentage of the premiums paid, after they receive a non-renewal notice for homeowners insurance

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 1. The insurance law is amended by adding a new section 3430-a 2 to read as follows:
  - S 3430-A. RIGHT OF INSURED UPON NOTICE OF NON-RENEWAL OF HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE. (A) THE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL CAUSE THE INSURER TO REFUND OR CREDIT ANY INSURED WHO HAS RECEIVED A NOTICE OF NON-RENEWAL FROM THE INSURER FOR HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE, INCLUDING FIRE INSURANCE OR FIRE AND EXTENDED COVERAGE INSURANCE, OTHER THAN FROM THE NEW YORK PROPERTY INSURANCE UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, FOR A PERCENTAGE OF THE PREMIUMS PAID FOR THE NUMBER OF YEARS A CLAIM WAS NOT MADE, PROVIDED, HOWEVER THE INSURED'S NON-RENEWAL NOTICE WAS BASED SOLELY ON THE GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY OR RISKS AND NOT BASED ON ANY CLAIM OR CLAIMS MADE BY THE INSURED.
- 13 (B) THE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARD-14 ING THE MANNER AND PERCENTAGE IN WHICH PREMIUMS ARE TO BE REFUNDED OR 15 CREDITED.
- 16 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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