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## IN SENATE

November 27, 2017

Introduced by Sen. SEWARD -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to licensing of independent adjusters

## The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph 5 of subsection (d) of section 2108 of the insur-2 ance law is amended to read as follows:

- 3 (5) Such application shall be approved, as to each person or individual so signing the same, by not less than five reputable citizens of the community in which such applicant resides or transacts business, each of whom shall certify that he has personally known the person or individual for a period of at least five years prior to the filing of such application, that he has read such application and believes each of the state-9 ments made therein to be true, that such person is honest, of good char-10 acter and competent, and not related or connected to the person so certifying by blood or marriage. The certificate of approval shall be 11 subscribed by such reputable citizens and affirmed by them as true under 12 13 the penalties of perjury. This requirement shall be automatically 14 waived for individuals holding a claims certification issued by a 15 nationally recognized claims association with at least twenty thousand 16 members.
  - § 2. Paragraph 1 of subsection (f) of section 2108 of the insurance law is amended to read as follows:
- 19 (1) The superintendent shall, in order to determine the trustworthi20 ness and competency to act as an independent adjuster of each individual
  21 applicant for such license, and of each proposed sub-licensee, except in
  22 the case of a renewal license, require every such individual to take and
  23 pass, to the satisfaction of the superintendent, a personal written
  24 examination. The superintendent may prescribe the types of written exam25 inations according to the kind or kinds of insurance claims [which] that

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

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1 the applicant is to be licensed to investigate and adjust. The exam

- 2 requirement shall be automatically waived for individuals holding a current claims certification issued by a nationally recognized claims
- 4 association with at least twenty thousand members.
- § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.