

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

February 28, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to requiring property/casualty insurance policies to state the types and causes of damage that are covered by such policy

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

1 Section 1. Section 3407-a of the insurance law, as added by chapter
2 306 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows
3 § 3407-a. Property/casualty insurance contract and policy standard
4 provisions. (a) No property/casualty insurance policy or contract shall
5 be issued or issued for delivery on a risk located or resident in this
6 state insuring against damage to the insured's real property unless it
7 contains in substance the following provision or a provision which is
8 equal or more favorable to the insured: a provision that in the event of
9 a pending claim for damage to real property, upon request, the insurer
10 shall furnish to the insured's representative, designated in writing, or
11 if none has been designated, to the insured, a copy of any written esti-
12 mate or estimates of the cost of damages to real property resulting from
13 the loss which the insurer has independently prepared for its own
14 purposes, or had prepared on its behalf for its own purposes, specifying
15 all appropriate deductions, within thirty days after the request or
16 preparation, whichever is later, of such estimate or estimates. An
17 insurer shall not be required to provide an estimate on claims for
18 damages to real property unless it has independently prepared one or had
19 one prepared on its behalf for the insurer's own purposes.
20 (b) Every property/casualty insurance policy or contract issued or
21 issued for delivery on a risk located or resident in this state shall
22 clearly and concisely state the types and causes of damage that are and
23 that are not covered by such policy. Such information shall be
24 contained at or near the beginning of the policy and shall be printed in
25 a font size that is easily legible.
26 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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