

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 944 Session of  
2001

INTRODUCED BY GREENLEAF, CORMAN, COSTA, MELLOW, BOSCOLA, FUMO,  
KUKOVICH, LEMMOND, O'PAKE, STACK AND TOMLINSON, JUNE 8, 2001

REFERRED TO BANKING AND INSURANCE, JUNE 8, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), entitled  
2 "An act relating to unfair insurance practices; prohibiting  
3 unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts  
4 and practices; and prescribing remedies and penalties,"  
5 requiring that complete copies of insurance policies be  
6 provided to policyholders upon request.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 5(a) of the act of July 22, 1974  
10 (P.L.589, No.205), known as the Unfair Insurance Practices Act,  
11 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

12 Section 5. Unfair Methods of Competition and Unfair or  
13 Deceptive Acts or Practices Defined.--(a) "Unfair methods of  
14 competition" and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices" in the  
15 business of insurance means:

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17 (15) Failing to give, upon the request of a policyholder, a  
18 copy of the policy containing all medical, health or accident  
19 insurance coverage to that policyholder.

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1       Section 2.   This act shall take effect in 60 days.