

SENATE BILL 270: Insurance Technical Changes.

This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Commerce and Insurance. If favorable, **Date:** April 22, 2021

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OVERVIEW: Senate Bill 270 would make various changes to the insurance laws in Chapter 58 of the General Statutes.

CURRENT LAW: Chapter 58 of the General Statutes regulates the insurance industry in North Carolina.

BILL ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 270 would do the following:

- > Specify that an insurer and its agents may satisfy rate evasion fraud requirements within 10 business days of coverage binding of an insurance policy, by obtaining from the applicant, reliable proof of North Carolina residency and status as an eligible risk.
- Allow verification of certain documents for rate evasion purposes to be provided electronically.
- ➤ Provide that a certificate of insurance may be submitted or created electronically.
- ➤ Create a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 when an individual who is not regulated under Chapter 58 prepares, issues, requests, or requires a certificate of insurance.
- ➤ Make technical and conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective October 1, 2021.

