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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
88TH LEGISLATURE
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Introduced by Reps. Perricone, DeLange, Randall and Galloway

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5383

AN ACT to amend section 625 of Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, entitled as amended "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to worker's disability compensation; to increase the administrative efficiency of the adjudicative processes of the worker's compensation system; to improve the qualifications of the persons having adjudicative functions within the worker's compensation system; to prescribe certain powers and duties; to create the board of worker's compensation magistrates and the worker's compensation appellate commission; to create certain other boards; to provide certain procedures for the resolution of claims, including mediation and arbitration; to prescribe certain benefits for persons suffering a personal injury under the act; to prescribe certain limitations on obtaining benefits under the act; to create, and provide for the transfer of, certain funds; to prescribe certain fees; to prescribe certain remedies and penalties; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," as amended by Act No. 117 of the Public Acts of 1993, being section 418.625 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Section 625 of Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended by Act No. 117 of the Public Acts of 1993, being section 418.625 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 625. (1) Each insurer mentioned in section 611 issuing an insurance policy covering workmen's compensation in this state shall file with the director, within 30 days after the effective date of the policy, a notice of the issuance of the policy and its effective date. If the policy covers persons who would otherwise be exempted from the provisions of this act by section 115, the notice shall contain a specific statement to that effect. A notice shall not be required of any insurer where the policy issued is a renewal of the preceding policy. The insurer, if it refuses to accept any coverage under this act, shall do so in writing.

(2) If, following a hearing held by the director under this act, the director determines that an insurer has engaged in a pattern and practice of numerous intentional violations of this section, the director may assess against that insurer a civil fine of up to \$750.00. This subsection and subsection (3) do not apply after the director certifies that an electronic data reporting system for reporting of this information is operational.

(3) The director may alternatively proceed under section 631.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Secretary of the Senate.

Approved -----

Governor.