

1 **Senate Bill No. 32**

2 (By Senator D. Hall)

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4 [Introduced January 14, 2015; referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and then to
5 the Committee on the Judiciary.]

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10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
11 designated §33-4-22, relating to property, casualty or surety insurance carriers; and requiring
12 at least seventy-five percent of claims investigated and settled in West Virginia to be
13 investigated and settled by resident West Virginia licensed adjuster.

14 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

15 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
16 section, designated §33-4-22, to read as follows:

17 **ARTICLE 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

18 **§33-4-22. Investigations and settlements by resident West Virginia licensed adjuster.**

19 By July 1, 2017, every property, casualty or surety insurance carrier that does business in
20 West Virginia must have at least seventy-five percent of the claims it investigates and settles in West
21 Virginia investigated and settled by a resident West Virginia licensed adjuster.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require property, casualty or surety insurance carriers doing business in West Virginia to have at least seventy-five percent of the claims it investigates and settles in West Virginia investigated and settled by a resident West Virginia licensed adjuster.

This section is new; therefore, strike-throughs and underscoring have been omitted.