

**104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY****State of Illinois****2025 and 2026****HB3427**

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Brad Stephens

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

20 ILCS 1405/1405-55 new

Amends the Department of Insurance Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Creates the Public Adjuster Advisory Board within the Department of Insurance. Provides that the Board shall review and recommend changes to the licensure, license issuance, and requirements for licensed public adjusters in the State. Provides that the Board shall also prepare rules that may be adopted by the Department to protect commercial and residential consumers in situations where a catastrophic event has taken place. Sets forth provisions concerning membership, compensation, administrative support, and meetings. Provides that, no later than January 1, 2026, and each year thereafter, the Board shall submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly concerning any issues relating to the licensing and operations of public adjusters in the State and any recommend policy changes to address those issues. Effective immediately.

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1           AN ACT concerning State Government.

2           **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3           **represented in the General Assembly:**

4           Section 5. The Department of Insurance Law of the Civil  
5           Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section  
6           1405-55 as follows:

7           (20 ILCS 1405/1405-55 new)

8           Sec. 1405-55. Public Adjuster Advisory Board.

9           (a) The Public Adjuster Advisory Board is created within  
10           the Department of Insurance. The Board shall review and  
11           recommend changes to the licensure, license issuance, and  
12           requirements for licensed public adjusters in this State. The  
13           Board shall also adopt advisory recommendations, which may  
14           include proposed rules, for consideration by the Department as  
15           necessary to protect commercial and residential consumers in  
16           situations where a catastrophic event has taken place.

17           (b) The Board shall consist of the following members:

18           (1) the Director of Insurance or the Director's  
19           designee, who shall serve as the chairperson of the Board;

20           (2) the Chief Enforcement Officer of the Department of  
21           Insurance or the Chief Enforcement Officer's designee;

22           (3) the General Counsel of the Department of Insurance  
23           or the General Counsel's designee;

1                   (4) one member appointed by the President of the  
2                   Senate;

3                   (5) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the  
4                   Senate;

5                   (6) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House  
6                   of Representatives;

7                   (7) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the  
8                   House of Representatives;

9                   (8) one licensed attorney who specializes in the  
10                   regulation of public adjusters in Illinois, appointed the  
11                   Governor;

12                   (9) one public adjuster residing outside of Cook  
13                   County, DuPage County, Kane County, Lake County, McHenry  
14                   County, and Will County, appointed the Governor;

15                   (10) 2 licensed public adjusters residing in Cook  
16                   County, DuPage County, Kane County, Lake County, McHenry  
17                   County, and Will County, appointed the Governor; and

18                   (11) 2 licensed public adjusters representing the  
19                   Chicagoland Public Adjusters Association, appointed the  
20                   Governor.

21                   (c) Members shall receive no compensation, but they may be  
22                   reimbursed for necessary expenses from appropriations to the  
23                   Department of Insurance available for that purpose.

24                   (d) The Department of Insurance shall provide staff and  
25                   administrative assistance to the Board.

26                   (e) The Board shall meet as soon as practicable after the

1        appointments are made to the Board. The Board shall meet in  
2        April and September of each year thereafter.

3        (f) No later than January 1, 2026, and each year  
4        thereafter, the Board shall submit a report to the Governor  
5        and the General Assembly concerning any issues relating to the  
6        licensing and operations of public adjusters in this State and  
7        any recommend policy changes to address those issues.

8            Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
9        becoming law.