AN ACT TO EXEMPT LIMITED LINE CREDIT INSURANCE PRODUCERS FROM CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 58-33-48 reads as rewritten:

(a) An applicant for an insurance producer license under this Article shall furnish the Commissioner with a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints in a manner prescribed by the Commissioner. The applicant's fingerprints shall be certified by an authorized law enforcement officer. The fingerprints of every applicant shall be forwarded to the State Bureau of Investigation for a search of the applicant's criminal history record file, if any. If warranted, the State Bureau of Investigation shall forward a set of the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record check. An applicant shall pay the cost of the State and any national criminal history record check of the applicant.

(c) This section does not apply to any of the following:
(1) a person applying for renewal or continuation of a home state insurance producer license or a nonresident insurance producer license.
(2) A person applying for a limited line credit insurance producer license."

SECTION 2. This act is effective October 1, 2019, and applies to applications for a new limited line credit insurance producer license or a renewal or continuation of a limited line credit insurance producer license received by the Commissioner of Insurance on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of June, 2019.

s/ Bill Rabon
Presiding Officer of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Roy Cooper
Governor

Approved 11:44 a.m. this 8th day of July, 2019