

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 1077  
HOUSE BILL 634

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT INSURANCE COMPANIES SHALL SETTLE A LOSS  
2 PAYEE'S OR MORTGAGEES CLAIM WITHOUT WAITING TO LITIGATE THE  
3 INSURED'S CLAIM.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:  
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7 **Section 1.** G.S. 58-160 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the  
8 following sentence:

9 "Any payment due by the insuring company to mortgagees or loss payees under the terms  
10 of the policy shall be made within ninety (90) days of the loss or within sixty (60) days of the  
11 filing of proof of loss, whichever is the longer period; provided, the payment of or settlement of  
12 the claim of the mortgagee or loss payee under the policy shall in no way constitute an  
13 admission of liability as to the insured and the fact of such payment or settlement shall be  
14 inadmissible in any action at law."

15 **Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

16 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall be effective upon ratification, but shall apply only to fire and  
17 extended coverage policies written after the date of its ratification.

18 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 27th day of June,  
19 1969.