

104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2025 and 2026

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/Art. XLVIII heading new 215 ILCS 5/1801 new 215 ILCS 5/1802 new 215 ILCS 5/1805 new 215 ILCS 5/1810 new

215 ILCS 5/1815 new

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Creates the Insurance Rate Fairness and Consumer Protection Article. Provides that the Article may be cited as the Insurance Rate Fairness and Consumer Protection Law. Provides that rates shall not be excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory, as specified. Provides that companies issuing policies within the applicability of the Article shall not incorporate catastrophe or extreme event losses from other states into the development of Illinois rates if fully credible loss experience is available within the State of Illinois. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly: 3 4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by 5 adding Article XLVIII as follows: (215 ILCS 5/Art. XLVIII heading new) 6 7 ARTICLE XLVIII. INSURANCE RATE FAIRNESS AND CONSUMER 8 PROTECTION (215 ILCS 5/1801 new) 9 10 Sec. 1801. Short title. This Article may be cited as the 11 Insurance Rate Fairness and Consumer Protection Law. 12 (215 ILCS 5/1802 new) Sec. 1802. Applicability. 13 (a) This Article solely applies to companies issuing 14 15 policies defined in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 143.13 16 of this Code and to which Section 143.11 of this Code applies. 17 (b) This Article does not apply to: (1) policies for any 18 commercial automobile and commercial liability and property 19 insurance; (2) policies for nonowners automobile insurance;

(3) policies for a structure all or part of which is leased or

rented, regardless of whether the insured occupies all or part

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of the structure as a primary residence; (4) policies for a

structure that is unoccupied or unoccupied and under active

construction, renovation, or substantial improvement, which is

intended by the insured to be sold, leased, or rented; and (5)

policies for a home or dwelling that is part of a farm policy,

regardless of whether it is owned or occupied as a primary

residence by the insured.

(215 ILCS 5/1805 new)

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Sec. 1805. Purpose. The purpose of this Article is to:

- (1) protect policyholders and the public against excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory rates;
- 12 (2) promote rates that reflect the benefits of competition while protecting consumer interests;
- 14 (3) protect Illinois consumers and ensure that

 15 Illinois policyholders receive rates only reflective of

 16 Illinois' climate and market, not of any other state; and
- 17 (4) ensure that rates charged to policyholders are
 18 fair, reasonable, and based on sound actuarial principals
 19 while preventing practices that result in unjustified
 20 increases, discriminatory pricing, or the exploitation of
 21 Illinois consumers.
- 22 (215 ILCS 5/1810 new)
- 23 <u>Sec. 1810. Rate-setting standards. Rates shall not be</u> 24 excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory.

(1) A rate is inadequate if it endangers the solvency
of the insurer. A rate that would not be expected to
generate a profit on a direct basis and that would be
likely to have the effect of diminishing competition is
also inadequate.

- (2) A rate is unfairly discriminatory if, after allowing for practical limitations, the price differentials fail to reflect the difference in expected losses and expenses. A rate is not unfairly discriminatory if different rates result for policyholders with similar loss exposures but different expenses, or similar expenses but different loss exposures, so long as the rate reflects the differences with reasonable accuracy.
- (3) A rate is reasonable and not excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory if it is an actuarially sound estimate of the expected value of all future costs associated with an individual risk transfer.

(215 ILCS 5/1815 new)

Sec. 1815. Prohibition on cost-shifting. Companies issuing policies to which this Article applies shall not incorporate catastrophe or extreme event losses from other states into the development of Illinois rates if fully credible loss experience is available within the State of Illinois. Nothing in this Section shall apply to rating relativity development during ratemaking.

- 1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 2 becoming law.