SENATE BILL No. 712

December 5, 1989, Introduced by Senators POSTHUMUS, DE GROW SHINKLE and EHLERS and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Technology.

A bill to amend the title and sections 2103, 2111, 2111a, 2111b, 2111c, 2134, 2136, 2138, 3015, 3101, 3104, 3107, 3109, 3109a, 3113, 3116, 3135, 3142, 3315, 6101, 6103, 6105, 6107, and 6110 of Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, entitled as amended

"The insurance code of 1956,"

section 2103 as amended by Act No. 461 of the Public Acts of 1980, section 2111 as amended by Act No. 150 of the Public Acts of 1987, sections 2111a, 2111b, 2111c, 2134, 2136, 2138, 3015, 3315, 6101, 6103, 6105, 6107, and 6110 as added by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of 1986, section 3101 as amended by Act No. 126 of the Public Acts of 1988, section 3104 as amended by Act No. 445 of the Public Acts of 1980, section 3107 as amended by Act No. 312 of the Public Acts of 1988, and section 3113 as amended by Act No. 93 of the Public Acts of 1986, being sections

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500.2103, 500.2111, 500.2111a, 500.2111b, 500.2111c, 500.2134, 500.2136, 500.2138, 500.3015, 500.3101, 500.3104, 500.3107, 500.3109, 500.3109a, 500.3113, 500.3116, 500.3135, 500.3142, 500.3315, 500.6101, 500.6103, 500.6105, 500.6107, and 500.6110 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; to add section 2111d; and to repeal certain parts of the act.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. The title and sections 2103, 2111, 2111a, 2111b,
- 2 2111c, 2134, 2136, 2138, 3015, 3101, 3104, 3107, 3109, 3109a,
- 3 3113, 3116, 3135, 3142, 3315, 6101, 6103, 6105, 6107, and 6110 of
- 4 Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, section 2103 as amended
- 5 by Act No. 461 of the Public Acts of 1980, section 2111 as
- 6 amended by Act No. 150 of the Public Acts of 1987, sections
- 7 2111a, 2111b, 2111c, 2134, 2136, 2138, 3015, 3315, 6101, 6103,
- 8 6105, 6107, and 6110 as added by Act No. 10 of the Public Acts of
- 9 1986, section 3101 as amended by Act No. 126 of the Public Acts
- 10 of 1988, section 3104 as amended by Act No. 445 of the Public
- 11 Acts of 1980, section 3107 as amended by Act No. 312 of the
- 12 Public Acts of 1988, and section 3113 as amended by Act No. 93 of
- 13 the Public Acts of 1986, being sections 500.2103, 500.2111,
- 14 500.2111a, 500.2111b, 500.2111c, 500.2134, 500.2136, 500.2138,
- **15** 500.3015, 500.3101, 500.3104, 500.3107, 500.3109, 500.3109a,
- **16** 500.3113, 500.3116, 500.3135, 500.3142, 500.3315, 500.6101,
- 17 500.6103, 500.6105, 500.6107, and 500.6110 of the Michigan
- 18 Compiled Laws, are amended and section 2111d is added to read as
- 19 follows:

1 TITLE

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3	ing to the insurance and surety business; to regulate the incor-
4	poration or formation of domestic insurance and surety companies
5	and associations and the admission of foreign and alien companies
6	and associations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities
7	and to prescribe the conditions on which companies and associa-
8	tions organized, existing, or authorized under this act may exer-
9	cise their powers; to provide the rights, powers, and immunities
.0	and to prescribe the conditions on which other persons, firms,
.1	corporations, associations, risk retention groups, and purchasing
.2	groups engaged in an insurance or surety business may exercise
.3	their powers; to provide for the imposition of a privilege fee on
4	domestic insurance companies and associations and the state acci-
.5	dent fund; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business
16	of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide for
L 7	the imposition of a tax on risk retention groups and purchasing
18	groups; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of
19	surplus line agents; to modify tort liability arising out of cer-
20	tain accidents; to provide for limited actions with respect to
21	that modified tort liability, and to prescribe certain procedures
2	for maintaining those actions; to require security for losses
23	arising out of certain accidents; to provide for the continued
24	availability and affordability of automobile insurance and home-
25	owners insurance in this state, and to facilitate the purchase of
26	that insurance by all residents of this state at fair and
27	reasonable rates; to provide for certain reporting with respect

- 1 to insurance, and with respect to certain claims against
- 2 uninsured or self-insured persons; and to prescribe duties for
- 3 certain state departments and officers with respect to that
- 4 reporting; to provide for certain assessments; to establish and
- 5 continue certain state insurance funds; to modify and clarify the
- 6 status, rights, powers, duties, and operations of the nonprofit
- 7 malpractice insurance fund; to provide for the departmental
- 8 supervision and regulation of the insurance and surety business
- 9 within this state; to provide for the conservation, rehabilita-
- 10 tion, or liquidation of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide
- 11 for the protection of policyholders, claimants, and creditors of
- 12 unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for associations of
- 13 insurers to protect policyholders and claimants in the event of
- 14 insurer insolvencies; to prescribe educational requirements for
- 15 insurance agents and solicitors; to provide for the regulation of
- 16 multiple employer welfare arrangements; to create an automobile
- 17 theft AND DRUNK DRIVING prevention authority; -to-reduce the
- 18 number of automobile thefts in this state; to prescribe the
- 19 powers and duties of the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING pre-
- 20 vention authority; to provide certain powers and duties upon cer-
- 21 tain officials, departments, and authorities of this state; to
- 22 repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain acts and
- 23 parts of acts on specific dates; and to provide penalties for the
- 24 violation of this act.
- 25 Sec. 2103. (1) "Eligible person", for automobile insurance,
- 26 means a person who is an owner or registrant of an automobile
- 27 registered or to be registered in this state or who holds a valid

- 1 Michigan license to operate a motor vehicle, but does not include
- 2 any of the following:
- 3 (a) A person who is not required to maintain security pursu-
- 4 ant to section 3101, unless the person intends to reside in this
- 5 state for 30 days or more and makes a written statement of that
- 6 intention on a form approved by the commissioner.
- 7 (b) A person whose license to operate a vehicle is under
- 8 suspension or revocation.
- 9 (c) A person who has been convicted within the immediately
- 10 preceding 5-year period of fraud or intent to defraud involving
- 11 an insurance claim or an application for insurance; or an indi-
- 12 vidual who has been successfully denied, within the immediately
- 13 preceding 5-year period, payment by an insurer of a claim in
- 14 excess of \$1,000.00 under an automobile insurance policy, where
- 15 there is evidence of fraud or intent to defraud involving an
- 16 insurance claim or application.
- 17 (d) A person who, during the immediately preceding 3-year
- 18 period, has been convicted under, or who has been subject to an
- 19 order of disposition of the probate court for a violation of, any
- 20 of the following:
- 21 (i) Section 324 -or 325 of THE MICHIGAN PENAL CODE, Act
- 22 No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended, being -sections-
- 23 SECTION 750.324 -and 750.325 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; sec-
- 24 tion 1 of Act No. 214 of the Public Acts of 1931, being section
- 25 752.191 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; or under any other law of
- 26 this state the violation of which constitutes a felony resulting
- 27 from the operation of a motor vehicle.

- 1 (ii) Section 625 of THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE, Act No. 300
- 2 of the Public Acts of 1949, as amended, being section 257.625 of
- 3 the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 4 (iii) Section 617, 617a, 618, or 619 of Act No. 300 of the
- 5 Public Acts of 1949, as amended, being sections 257.617,
- 6 257.617a, 257.618, and 257.619 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 7 (iv) Section 626 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949,
- 8 as amended, being section 257.626 of the Michigan Compiled Laws;
- 9 or for a similar violation under the laws of any other state or a
- 10 municipality within or without this state.
- 11 (v) Section 625b of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949,
- 12 as amended, being section 257.625b of the Michigan Compiled
- 13 Laws.
- 14 (vi) SECTION 626A OF ACT NO. 300 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949,
- 15 BEING SECTION 257.626A OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 16 (e) A person whose vehicle insured or to be insured under
- 17 the policy fails to meet the motor vehicle safety requirements of
- 18 sections 683 to 711 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, as
- 19 amended, being sections 257.683 to 257.711 of the Michigan
- 20 Compiled Laws.
- 21 (f) A person whose policy of automobile insurance has been
- 22 canceled because of nonpayment of premium or financed premium
- 23 within the immediately preceding 2-year period, unless the pre-
- 24 mium due on a policy for which application has been made is paid
- 25 in full before issuance or renewal of the policy.
- 26 (g) A person who fails to obtain or maintain membership in a
- 27 club, group, or organization, if membership is a uniform

- 1 requirement of the insurer as a condition of providing insurance,
- 2 and if the dues, charges, or other conditions for membership are
- 3 applied uniformly throughout this state, are not expressed as a
- 4 percentage of premium, and do not vary with respect to the rating
- 5 classification of the member except for the purpose of offering a
- 6 membership fee to family units. Membership fees may vary in
- 7 accordance with the amount or type of coverage if the -purcahse-
- 8 PURCHASE of additional coverage, either as to type or amount, is
- 9 not a condition for reduction of dues or fees.
- 10 (h) A person whose driving record for the 3-year period
- 11 immediately preceding application for or renewal of a policy,
- 12 has, pursuant to section 2119a, an accumulation of more than -the
- 13 following: (i) Five insurance eligibility points, if the appli-
- 14 cation or renewal occurs on or before December 31, 1982. (ii)
- 15 Six- 6 insurance eligibility points. -, if the application or
- 16 renewal occurs on or after January 1, 1983.
- 17 (2) "Eligible person", for home insurance, means a person
- 18 who is the owner-occupant or tenant of a dwelling of any of the
- 19 following types: a house, a condominium unit, a cooperative
- 20 unit, a room, or an apartment; or a person who is the
- 21 owner-occupant of a multiple unit dwelling of not more than 4
- 22 residential units. Eligible person does not include any of the
- 23 following:
- (a) A person who has been convicted, in the immediately pre-
- 25 ceding 5-year period, of 1 or more of the following:
- 26 (i) Arson, or conspiracy to commit arson.

- 1 (ii) A crime under sections 72 to 77, 112, 211a, 377a, 377b,
- 2 or 380 of Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended,
- 3 being sections 750.72 to 750.77, 750.112, 750.211a, 750.377a,
- 4 750.377b, and 750.380 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 5 (iii) A crime under section 92, 151, 157b, or 218 of Act
- 6 No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended, being sections
- 7 750.92, 750.151, 750.157b, and 750.218 of the Michigan Compiled
- 8 Laws, based upon a crime described in subparagraph (ii) committed
- 9 by or on behalf of the person.
- 10 (b) A person who has been successfully denied, within the
- 11 immediately preceding 5-year period, payment by an insurer of a
- 12 claim under a home insurance policy in excess of \$2,000.00, based
- 13 on evidence of arson, conspiracy to commit arson, misrepresenta-
- 14 tion, fraud, or -consipiracy CONSPIRACY to commit fraud, commit-
- 15 ted by or on behalf of the person, if the amount of the denied
- 16 claim was greater than any of the following:
- 17 (i) For a claim under a repair cost policy, 15% of the
- 18 amount of insurance in force.
- 19 (ii) For a claim under a replacement cost policy, 10% of the
- 20 amount of insurance in force.
- 21 (c) A person who insures or seeks to insure a dwelling
- 22 -which THAT is being used for an illegal or demonstrably hazard-
- 23 ous purpose.
- 24 (d) A person who refuses to purchase an amount of insurance
- 25 equal to at least 80% of the replacement cost of the property
- 26 insured or to be insured under a replacement cost policy.

- 1 (e) A person who refuses to purchase an amount of insurance
- 2 equal to at least 100% of the market value of the property
- 3 insured or to be insured under a repair cost policy.
- 4 (f) A person who refuses to purchase an amount of insurance
- 5 equal to at least 100% of the actual cash value of the property
- 6 insured or to be insured under a tenant or renter's home insur-
- 7 ance policy.
- 8 (g) A person whose policy of home insurance has been
- 9 -cancelled CANCELED because of nonpayment of premium within the
- 10 immediately preceding 2-year period, unless the premium due on
- 11 the policy is paid in full before issuance or renewal of the
- 12 policy.
- 13 (h) A person who insures or seeks to insure a dwelling, if
- 14 the insured value is not any of the following:
- 15 (i) For a repair cost policy, at least \$7,500.00.
- 16 (ii) For a replacement policy, at least \$15,000.00 or
- 17 another amount which the commissioner may establish biennially on
- 18 and after January 1, 1983, pursuant to rules promulgated by the
- 19 commissioner under THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, Act
- 20 No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, BEING SECTIONS
- 21 24.201 TO 24.328 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, based upon
- 22 changes in applicable construction cost indices.
- 23 (j) A person who insures or seeks to insure a dwelling
- 24 -which- THAT does not meet minimum standards of insurability as
- 25 established by rules promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to
- 26 Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended.

- 1 (k) A person whose real property taxes with respect to the
- 2 dwelling insured or to be insured have been and are delinquent
- 3 for 2 or more years at the time of renewal of, or application
- 4 for, home insurance.
- 5 (1) A person who has failed to procure or maintain member-
- 6 ship in a club, group, or organization, if membership is a uni-
- 7 form requirement of the insurer, and if the dues, charges, or
- 8 other conditions for membership are applied uniformly throughout
- 9 this state, are not expressed as a percentage of premium, and do
- 10 not vary with respect to the rating classification of the member
- 11 except for the purpose of offering a membership fee to family
- 12 units. Membership fees may vary in accordance with the amount or
- 13 type of coverage if the purchase of additional coverage, either
- 14 as to type or amount, is not a condition for reduction of dues or
- 15 fees.
- 16 (3) "Home insurance" means any of the following, but does
- 17 not include insurance intended to insure commercial, industrial,
- 18 professional, or business property, obligations, or liabilities:
- (a) Insurance for an insured's dwelling of a type described
- 20 in subsection (2), provided by a Michigan standard policy as
- 21 described in section 2832.
- 22 (b) -When- IF contained in or indorsed to a Michigan stan-
- 23 dard policy providing insurance for the insured's residence,
- 24 other insurance intended primarily to insure nonbusiness proper-
- 25 ty, obligations, and liabilities.
- 26 (c) Other insurance coverages for an insured's residence as
- 27 prescribed by rule promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to

- 1 Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended. A rule
- 2 proposed for promulgation by the commissioner pursuant to this
- 3 section shall be transmitted in advance to each member of the
- 4 standing committee in the house and in the senate which has
- 5 jurisdiction over insurance.
- 6 (4) "Insurance eliqibility points" means all of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (a) Points calculated, according to the following schedule,
- 9 for convictions, determinations of responsibility for civil
- 10 infractions, or findings of responsibility in probate court:
- 11 (i) For a violation of -any- A lawful speed limit by more
- 12 than 15 miles per hour, or careless driving, 4 points.
- 13 (ii) For a violation of -any- A lawful speed limit by more
- 14 than 10 miles per hour, but less than 16 miles per hour, 3
- 15 points.
- 16 (iii) For a violation of -any A lawful speed limit by 10
- 17 miles per hour or less, 2 points.
- 18 (iv) For a violation of -any- A speed limit by 15 miles per
- 19 hour or less on a roadway which had a lawfully posted maximum
- 20 speed of 70 miles per hour as of January 1, 1974, 2 points.
- (v) For all other moving violations pertaining to the opera-
- 22 tion of motor vehicles, 2 points.
- (b) Points calculated, according to the following schedule,
- 24 for determinations that the person was substantially at-fault, as
- 25 defined in section 2104(4):

- 1 (i) For the first substantially at-fault accident, 3
- 2 points. AN INSURER MAY ELECT NOT TO AWARD POINTS FOR AN
- 3 INSURED'S FIRST SUBSTANTIALLY AT-FAULT ACCIDENT.
- 4 (ii) For the second and each subsequent substantially
- 5 at-fault accident, 4 points.
- 6 (5) "Insurer" means an insurer authorized to transact in
- 7 this state the kind or combination of kinds of insurance consti-
- 8 tuting automobile insurance or home insurance, as defined in this
- 9 chapter.
- 10 Sec. 2111. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of this -code-
- 11 ACT and this chapter to the contrary, classifications and terri-
- 12 torial base rates used by any insurer in this state with respect
- 13 to automobile insurance or home insurance shall conform to the
- 14 applicable requirements of this section.
- 15 (2) Classifications established pursuant to this section for
- 16 automobile insurance shall be based only upon 1 or more of the
- 17 following factors, which shall be applied by an insurer on a uni-
- 18 form basis throughout the state:
- 19 (a) With respect to all automobile insurance coverages:
- 20 (i) Either the age of THE driver; the length of driving
- 21 experience; or the number of years licensed to operate a motor
- 22 vehicle.
- 23 (ii) Driver primacy, based upon the proportionate use of
- 24 each vehicle insured under the policy by individual drivers
- 25 insured or to be insured under the policy.
- 26 (iii) Average miles driven weekly, annually, or both.

- 1 (iv) Type of use, such as business, farm, or pleasure use.
- 2 (v) Vehicle characteristics, features, and options, such as
- 3 engine displacement, ability of vehicle and its equipment to pro-
- 4 tect passengers from injury; and other similar items, including
- 5 vehicle make and model.
- 6 (vi) Daily or weekly commuting mileage.
- 7 (vii) Number of cars insured by the insurer or number of
- 8 licensed operators in the household. However, number of licensed
- 9 operators shall not be used as an indirect measure of marital
- 10 status.
- 11 (viii) Amount of insurance.
- 12 (b) In addition to the factors prescribed in subdivision
- 13 (a), with respect to personal protection insurance coverage:
- 14 (i) Earned income.
- 15 (ii) Number of dependents of income earners insured under
- 16 the policy.
- 17 (iii) Coordination of benefits.
- 18 (iv) Use of a safety belt.
- 19 (c) In addition to the factors prescribed in subdivision
- 20 (a), with respect to collision and comprehensive coverages:
- 21 (i) The anticipated cost of vehicle repairs or replacement,
- 22 which may be measured by age, price, cost new, or value of the
- 23 insured automobile, and other factors directly relating to that
- 24 anticipated cost.
- 25 (ii) Vehicle make and model.
- 26 (iii) Vehicle design characteristics related to vehicle
- 27 damageability.

- 1 (iv) Vehicle characteristics relating to automobile theft
- 2 prevention devices.
- 3 (d) With respect to all automobile insurance coverage other
- 4 than comprehensive, successful completion by the individual
- 5 driver or drivers insured under the policy of an accident preven-
- 6 tion education course which meets the following criteria: ---
- 7 (i) The course shall include a minimum of 8 hours of class-
- 8 room instruction.
- 9 (ii) The course shall include, but not be limited to, a
- 10 review of all of the following:
- 11 (A) The effects of aging on driving behavior.
- (B) The shapes, colors, and types of road signs.
- 13 (C) The effects of alcohol and medication on driving.
- 14 (D) The laws relating to the proper use of a motor vehicle.
- 15 (E) Accident prevention measures.
- 16 (F) The benefits of safety belts and child restraints.
- 17 (G) Major driving hazards.
- 18 (H) Interaction with other highway users such as motorcy-
- 19 clists, bicyclists, and pedestrians.
- 20 (3) Before February 1, 1987, each EACH insurer shall
- 21 establish and maintain premium discount plans pursuant to the
- 22 following:
- (a) An automobile theft prevention premium discount plan. A
- 24 premium discount plan required under this subdivision shall pro-
- 25 vide for a premium discount for automobile comprehensive coverage
- 26 based upon the installation of an approved automobile theft
- 27 prevention device. As used in this subdivision, "approved

- 1 automobile theft prevention device means a device -which THAT
- 2 is designed to prevent the theft of an insured's automobile and
- 3 -which- THAT is approved by the board of directors of the automo-
- 4 bile theft prevention authority.
- 5 (b) An automobile safety belt premium discount plan. A pre-
- 6 mium discount plan required under this subdivision shall provide
- 7 for a premium discount for automobile personal protection insur-
- 8 ance of not less than 20%. A premium discount plan established
- 9 pursuant to this subdivision may require the insured individual
- 10 to certify in writing that he or she will wear a safety belt
- 11 while operating the insured motor vehicle in compliance with sec-
- 12 tion 710e of the Michigan vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public
- 13 Acts of 1949, being section 257.710e of the Michigan Compiled
- 14 Laws, as a condition to receiving the premium discount. If an
- 15 insured receives a premium discount after providing such certifi-
- 16 cation and is injured while operating a motor vehicle without
- 17 wearing a safety belt at the time of the injury, an insurer may
- 18 subsequently deny to such insured the right to participate in any
- 19 premium discount plan established by the insurer pursuant to this
- 20 subdivision for a period of 12 months. An insurer -which- THAT
- 21 reduces its personal protection insurance rates after December 1,
- 22 1985 by not less than 20% and does not increase such rates for a
- 23 period of 12 months shall be considered to be in compliance with
- 24 this subdivision.
- 25 (c) This subsection shall not apply on and after July 17
- 26 1991.-

- 1 (4) Each insurer shall establish a secondary or merit rating
- 2 plan for automobile insurance. A secondary or merit rating plan
- 3 required under this subsection shall provide for premium sur-
- 4 charges for any or all coverages for automobile insurance, based
- 5 upon any or all of the following, when that information becomes
- 6 available to the insurer:
- 7 (a) Substantially at-fault accidents, EXCEPT FOR THE FIRST
- 8 SUBSTANTIALLY AT-FAULT ACCIDENT IF THE INSURER ELECTS NOT TO
- 9 AWARD POINTS FOR THAT ACCIDENT AS PROVIDED IN
- 10 SECTION 2103(4)(B)(i).
- (b) Convictions for, determinations of responsibility for
- 12 civil infractions for, or findings of responsibility in probate
- 13 court for civil infractions for, violations under chapter VI of
- 14 the Michigan vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of
- 15 1949, as amended, being sections 257.601 to 257.750 of the
- 16 Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 17 (5) An insurer shall not establish or maintain rates or
- 18 rating classifications for automobile insurance based upon sex or
- 19 marital status.
- 20 (6) Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, auto-
- 21 mobile insurance risks shall be grouped by territory, and terri-
- 22 torial base rates for coverages shall be established as provided
- 23 in section 2111a and as follows:
- (a) An insurer shall not be limited as to the number of ter-
- 25 ritories employed in its rating plan.
- 26 (b) An insurer shall not employ more than 20 different
- 27 territorial base rates for an automobile insurance coverage.

- 1 This subdivision shall not apply from February 28, 1986 to
- 2 June 30, 1991.
- 3 (B) -(c) A territorial base rate may be made applicable in
- 4 1 or more territories contained in the rating plan of the
- 5 insurer.
- 6 (d) An insurer shall not employ a territorial base rate for
- 7 an automobile insurance package policy that is less than 45% of
- 8 the highest territorial base rate for the same policy, all other
- 9 rating classifications being the same. This subdivision shall
- 10 not apply from February 28, 1986 to June 30, 1991.
- 11 (e) An insurer shall not employ a territorial base rate in a
- 12 territory for an automobile insurance package policy that is less
- 13 than 90% of the territorial base rate employed in any adjacent
- 14 territory for the same policy, all other rating classifications
- 15 being the same. This subdivision shall not apply from February
- 16 28, 1986 to June 30, 1991.
- 17 (7) An insurer may elect at any time to exempt itself from
- 18 the requirements of subsection (6) by filing for an exemption
- 19 with the commissioner. An insurer electing this exemption shall
- 20 initially file a rating plan in which no territorial base rate
- 21 for an automobile insurance package policy is less than 45% of
- 22 the highest territorial base rate for the same policy, all other
- 23 rating classifications being the same. Five years from the date
- 24 of the initial filing the insurer shall be prohibited from using
- 25 a rating plan in which any territorial base rate for an automo-
- 26 bile insurance package policy will be less than 67% of the
- 27 highest territorial base rate for that same policy, all other

- 1 rating classifications being the same. An insurer's election of
- 2 an exemption under this subsection is permanent, final, and not
- 3 subject to change. This subsection shall not apply from February
- 4 28, 1986 to June 30, 1991.
- 5 (8) Beginning 1 year after the effective date of this sec-
- 6 tion, if an insurer can demonstrate to the commissioner, after an
- 7 opportunity for an evidentiary hearing held pursuant to the
- 8 administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public
- 9 Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the
- 10 Michigan Compiled Laws, that clear and significant financial
- 11 impairment exists in the geographic territory or territories in
- 12 question because of the need for an additional territorial base
- 13 rate, or for a greater variance in the adjacent geographic terri-
- 14 tory differential contained in subsection (6)(e), the additional
- 15 territorial base rate, a greater variance, or both, shall be per-
- 16 mitted for use by the insurer or a licensed rating organization
- 17 on behalf of that insurer, at such time as the need exists.
- 18 Evidence shall not include financial impairment resulting from
- 19 exemptions granted to other insurers. This subsection shall not
- 20 apply from February 28, 1986 to June 30, 1991.
- 21 (9) If the commissioner finds, solely on the evidence
- 22 presented, that a greater variance in the adjacent geographic
- 23 territory differential than that authorized under subsection
- 24 (6)(e) is justified, the increase in variance shall not exceed
- 25 100% of that authorized under that subsection. If an increase in
- 26 variance in the adjacent geographic territory differential
- 27 greater than 100% of that authorized under subsection (6)(e) is

- 1 justified, the commissioner shall require the creation of an
- 2 additional territorial base rate. This subsection shall not
- 3 apply from February 38, 1986 to June 30, 1991.
- 4 (10) An exemption granted under subsections (8) and (9)
- 5 shall be applicable only to the geographic territory or territo-
- 6 ries in question, and only to the insurer requesting the
- 7 exemption. This subsection shall not apply from February 28,
- 8 1986 to June 30, 1991.
- 9 (11) An insurer shall not have more than 5 exemptions in
- 10 force at any 1 time. For purposes of determining the number of
- 11 existing exemptions, each additional territorial base rate or
- 12 each increase in variance in the adjacent geographic territory
- 13 differential granted, shall be considered to be a separate
- 14 exemption. This subsection shall not apply from February 28,
- 15 1986 to June 30, 1991,
- 16 (7) -(12) This section shall not be construed as limiting
- 17 insurers or rating organizations from establishing and maintain-
- 18 ing statistical reporting territories. This section shall not be
- 19 construed to prohibit an insurer from establishing or maintain-
- 20 ing, for automobile insurance, a premium discount plan for senior
- 21 citizens in this state who are 65 years of age or older, if the
- 22 plan is uniformly applied by the insurer throughout this state.
- 23 If an insurer has not established and maintained such a premium
- 24 discount plan for senior citizens, the insurer shall offer
- 25 reduced premium rates to senior citizens in this state who are 65
- 26 years of age or older and who drive less than 3,000 miles per
- 27 year, regardless of statistical data.

- 1 (8) -(13) Classifications established pursuant to this
- 2 section for home insurance other than inland marine insurance
- 3 provided by policy floaters or endorsements shall be based only
- 4 upon 1 or more of the following factors:
- 5 (a) Amount and types of coverage.
- 6 (b) Security and safety devices, including locks, smoke
- 7 detectors, and similar, related devices.
- 8 (c) Repairable structural defects reasonably related to
- 9 risk.
- (d) Fire protection class.
- 11 (e) Construction of structure, based on structure size,
- 12 building material components, and number of units.
- 13 (f) Loss experience of the insured, based upon prior claims
- 14 attributable to factors under the control of the insured -which-
- 15 THAT have been paid by an insurer.
- 16 (g) Use of smoking materials within the structure.
- 17 (h) Distance of the structure from a fire hydrant.
- (i) Availability of law enforcement or crime prevention
- 19 services.
- 20 (9) —(14)— Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter,
- 21 home insurance risks shall be grouped by territory, and territo-
- 22 rial base rates for coverages shall be established as follows:
- 23 (a) An insurer shall not be limited as to the number of ter-
- 24 ritories employed in its rating plan. However, an insurer shall
- 25 not employ more than 3 different territorial base rates for a
- 26 home insurance coverage. A territorial base rate may be made

- 1 applicable in 1 or more territories contained in the rating plan
- 2 of the insurer.
- 3 (b) An insurer shall not employ a territorial base rate for
- 4 home insurance for owner-occupied dwelling policies that is less
- 5 than 70% of the highest territorial base rate for the same
- 6 policy, all other rating classifications being the same.
- 7 (c) An insurer shall not employ a territorial base rate for
- 8 home insurance for renter or tenant policies that is less than
- 9 65% of the highest territorial base rate for the same policy, all
- 10 other rating classifications being the same.
- 11 (10) (15) An insurer shall not utilize factors other than
- 12 those prescribed in this section in establishing classifications
- 13 for automobile insurance and home insurance until January 1,
- 14 1982. However, on and after January 1, 1982, an AN insurer may
- 15 utilize factors in addition to those specified in this section,
- 16 if the commissioner finds, after a hearing held pursuant to the
- 17 administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public
- 18 Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the
- 19 Michigan Compiled Laws, that the factors would encourage innova-
- 20 tion, would encourage insureds to minimize the risks of loss from
- 21 hazards insured against, and would be consistent with the pur-
- 22 poses of this chapter.
- 23 Sec. 2111a. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this sec-
- 24 tion, before April 1, 1986, an insurer shall not charge a terri-
- 25 torial base rate for an automobile insurance package policy in a
- 26 territory within an urban area which exceeds the territorial base
- 27 rate -which THAT would have been charged by the Michigan

- 1 automobile insurance placement facility in that territory using
- 2 the weighted average of the base rates charged in each facility
- 3 territory by the 5 largest insurer groups, determined by volun-
- 4 tary net direct automobile insurance car years written in the
- 5 state for the calendar year ending December 31, 1984 as reported
- 6 to the statistical agent, and based upon the data used by the
- 7 facility to determine the facility rates -which THAT were effec-
- 8 tive January 1, 1986. However, this subsection does not require
- 9 an insurer to reduce its territorial base rates within an urban
- 10 area -which THAT are in effect on -the-effective-date of this
- 11 section FEBRUARY 28, 1986.
- 12 (2) On and after April 1, 1986, except as otherwise provided
- 13 in subsection (3), an insurer shall not increase in any 12-month
- 14 period the rates for automobile insurance package policies in
- 15 territories within an urban area by an amount -which- THAT is
- 16 greater than 4% plus the consumer price index. The insurer may
- 17 redefine rating territories for automobile insurance package pol-
- 18 icies in an urban area; however, such redefinition, at the time
- 19 of the redefinition, shall not result in a weighted average rate
- 20 in the urban area which is greater than the weighted average rate
- 21 in the urban area without redefinition of the territories. The
- 22 insurer shall not use more than 6 territories within an urban
- 23 area. The sum of the percentage increases for an insurer in a
- 24 12-month period as permitted under this subsection shall be less
- 25 than or equal to 4% plus the consumer price index and each per-
- 26 centage increase shall be computed in accordance with the
- 27 following:

- The difference between the total written premium at the proposed rates minus the total written premium at current rates, divided by total written premium at current rates, and multiplied by 100.
- (3) On and after February 1, 1988, an insurer may elect to 5 be subject to the limitations provided in this subsection instead 6 of the limitations provided in subsection (2). An insurer elect-7 8 ing to be subject to this subsection shall not increase the rates 9 for automobile insurance package policies in territories within an urban area by a percentage -which- THAT is greater than the 10 insurer's nonurban average percentage increase, which nonurban 11 12 average percentage increase shall be reduced by the sum of the percentage increases made by the insurer under subsection (2) 13 during the 12 months immediately preceding the date of the filing 14 15 of the proposed increase pursuant to this subsection. insurer may redefine rating territories for automobile insurance 16 17 package policies in an urban area; however, such redefinition, at 18 the time of the redefinition, shall not result in a weighted average rate in the urban area -which- THAT is greater than the 19 weighted average rate in the urban area without redefinition of 20 the territories. The insurer shall not use more than 6 territo-21 ries within an urban area. An insurer -which- THAT elects to be 22 subject to the limitation under this subsection shall remain 23 subject to this subsection. 24
- (4) Any rate filing for automobile insurance packagepolicies made after December 15, 1985 shall not be modified,

- 1 changed, or altered for a period of 6 months after the effective
- 2 date of such filing. This subsection shall not prohibit an
- 3 insurer from making rate filings at any time that only provide
- 4 changes to rates based upon assessments levied against insurers
- 5 pursuant to section 3104 or 3330. Such rate filings shall not be
- 6 considered rate filings for purposes of this subsection.
- 7 (5) As used in this section:
- 8 (a) "Consumer price index" means the annual average percen-
- 9 tage increase in the Detroit consumer price index for all items
- 10 for the prior 12-month period as reported by the United States
- 11 department of labor and as certified by the commissioner.
- 12 (b) "Nonurban average percentage increase" means the percen-
- 13 tage increase of an insurer's weighted average rate outside of an
- 14 urban area, if any, which is obtained by dividing the weighted
- 15 average of the proposed rates of the insurer outside an urban
- 16 area by the highest weighted average rate of the insurer outside
- 17 an urban area on file with the commissioner during the 6 months
- 18 immediately preceding the date of the filing of the proposed
- 19 increase, subtracting 1 from this quotient, and multiplying the
- 20 difference by 100. The weights used in obtaining the weighted
- 21 averages in this subdivision shall be the written car years of
- 22 the insurer in each rating territory. If a negative percentage
- 23 is calculated under this subdivision, there shall be no nonurban
- 24 average percentage increase under this subdivision.
- 25 (c) "Urban area" means the area within the boundaries of a
- 26 city in this state which has a population of 1,000,000 or more as
- 27 determined by the latest of each succeeding federal decennial

- 1 census and includes any city located wholly within the boundaries
- 2 of a city in this state which has a population of 1,000,000 or
- 3 more as determined by the latest of each succeeding federal
- 4 decennial census.
- 5 (6) This section is repealed effective July 1, 1991.
- 6 Sec. 2111b. An insurer shall not utilize a territorial base
- 7 rate for automobile insurance package policies for a territory
- 8 outside of the boundaries of an urban area -which- THAT is
- 9 greater than the insurer's highest territorial base rate within
- 10 an urban area. This section is repealed effective July 1,
- 11 1991.
- 12 Sec. 2111c. -(1) Between January 1, 1987 and October 1,
- 13 1987, BY JULY 1, 1991 AND BY JULY 1 OF EVERY ODD YEAR AFTER
- 14 1991, the commissioner shall prepare a report -which- THAT
- 15 details the theft of automobiles AND DRUNK DRIVING RELATED
- 16 ACCIDENTS occurring in this state -since February 1,-1986- FOR
- 17 THE PREVIOUS 2 YEARS and assesses the impact of the thefts AND
- 18 DRUNK DRIVING RELATED ACCIDENTS on rates charged for automobile
- 19 insurance. The director of the department of state police,
- 20 insurers, the state court administrative office, and the automo-
- 21 bile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING prevention authority shall cooperate
- 22 in the development of the report as requested by the commissioner
- 23 and shall make available records and statistics concerning auto-
- 24 mobile thefts AND DRUNK DRIVING ARRESTS AND DRUNK DRIVING RELATED
- 25 ACCIDENTS, including the number of automobile thefts AND DRUNK
- 26 DRIVING ARRESTS AND DRUNK DRIVING RELATED ACCIDENTS, number of
- 27 prosecutions and convictions involving automobile thefts AND

- 1 DRUNK DRIVING, and automobile theft recidivism. The commissioner
- 2 shall evaluate the impact automobile theft -has AND DRUNK DRIV-
- 3 ING HAVE on the citizens of this state and the costs incurred by
- 4 the citizens through insurance, police enforcement, prosecution,
- 5 and incarceration due to automobile thefts AND DRUNK DRIVING.
- 6 By July 1 of every odd year after 1987, the commissioner shall
- 7 prepare a similar report reviewing the automobile theft data for
- 8 the previous 2 years. The report required by this subsection
- 9 shall be submitted to the legislature and the automobile theft
- 10 AND DRUNK DRIVING prevention authority.
- 11 (2) Between January 1, 1989 and October 1, 1989, the com-
- 12 missioner shall prepare a report to the legislature which does
- 13 both of the following:
- 14 (a) Reviews and evaluates the effect of the 1986 amendatory
- 15 act which added this section on the rating structure for automo-
- 16 bile insurance in this state.
- 17 (b) Recommends existing or alternative mechanisms or regula-
- 18 tory schemes to assure that automobile insurance is available at
- 19 fair and equitable rates.
- 20 (3) This section is repealed effective July 1, 1991.
- 21 SEC. 2111D. BY MARCH 1, 1990, EACH INSURER SHALL REDUCE ITS
- 22 PRIVATE PASSENGER NONFLEET AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE BASE RATES IN
- 23 EFFECT IN THIS STATE ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1989 FOR PERSONAL
- 24 PROTECTION INSURANCE AND RESIDUAL LIABILITY INSURANCE BY AN
- 25 AMOUNT THAT WOULD RESULT IN A COMBINED REDUCTION FOR THOSE COVER-
- 26 AGES OF NOT LESS THAN 25%. ASSESSMENTS FOR THE MICHIGAN
- 27 CATASTROPHIC CLAIMS ASSOCIATION, PROPERTY CASUALTY CLAIMS

- 1 ASSOCIATION, AUTOMOBILE THEFT AND DRUNK DRIVING PREVENTION
- 2 AUTHORITY, AND THE MICHIGAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PLACEMENT FACIL-
- 3 ITY SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN ACHIEVING THE REDUCTION REQUIRED
- 4 BY THIS SECTION.
- 5 Sec. 2134. -(1) Each insurer transacting automobile insur-
- 6 ance in this state shall:
- 7 (a) Be a paying member of the national automobile theft
- 8 bureau.
- 9 (b) Secure from each insured the vehicle identification
- 10 number for each vehicle insured by the insurer.
- (2) This section is repealed effective July 1, 1991.
- Sec. 2136. Each insurer, when writing automobile comprehen-
- 13 sive insurance coverage for a person who was not previously a
- 14 policyholder with the insurer or when insuring an automobile
- 15 -which THAT was not previously insured by the insurer for a
- 16 person who was previously a policyholder with the insurer but who
- 17 has filed a claim with the insurer within the preceding 3 years
- 18 to recover for the theft of an automobile, shall verify the exis-
- 19 tence of the automobile being insured. To comply with this sec-
- 20 tion, an insurer shall either make a personal inspection of the
- 21 automobile or obtain not less than 2 photographs of the automo-
- 22 bile -which THAT depict the automobile diagonally from the front
- 23 and rear. This section shall not apply when an agent subject to
- 24 section 1209(2) transfers a person's automobile comprehensive
- 25 insurance coverage from an insurer which has authorized the agent
- 26 to another insurer which has authorized the agent. -This section
- 27 is repealed effective July 1, 1991.

- 1 Sec. 2138. An insurer shall not make a claim payment on an
- 2 automobile insurance policy for a loss arising from the theft of
- 3 an automobile covered under the policy unless the insured has
- 4 filed a report of the theft to the state police or the law
- 5 enforcement agency within whose jurisdiction the theft occurred.
- 6 This section is repealed effective July 1, 1991.
- 7 Sec. 3015. (1) Each automobile insurance policy delivered
- 8 or issued for delivery in this state which- THAT provides cover-
- 9 age for the theft of an automobile may include either or both of
- 10 the following provisions:
- 11 (a) A provision —which— THAT imposes a \$500.00 deductible to
- 12 the theft loss of the automobile if the automobile was unattended
- 13 when stolen and was stolen while the keys to the automobile were
- 14 located in the passenger compartment of the automobile. -Such-
- 15 THIS deductible shall not apply -when- IF the automobile is the
- 16 subject of a bailment contract.
- 17 (b) A provision —which— THAT reduces the recovery under the
- 18 policy by 10% for the theft loss of the automobile if the automo-
- 19 bile was unattended when stolen and was stolen while the keys to
- 20 the automobile were located in the passenger compartment of the
- 21 automobile. The reduction under this subdivision shall not apply
- 22 -when IF the automobile is the subject of a bailment contract.
- 23 (2) If an insurer includes either or both of the provisions
- 24 provided in subsection (1) in an automobile insurance policy
- 25 -which- THAT provides coverage for the theft of an automobile,
- 26 the insurer shall include the provision or provisions in each
- 27 automobile insurance policy providing coverage for the theft of

- 1 an automobile that is thereafter delivered or issued for delivery
- 2 by the insurer.
- 3 (3) This section is repealed effective July 1, 1991.
- 4 Sec. 3101. (1) The owner or registrant of a motor vehicle
- 5 required to be registered in this state shall maintain security
- 6 for payment of benefits under personal protection insurance,
- 7 property protection insurance, and residual liability insurance.
- 8 Security shall only be required to be in effect during the period
- 9 the motor vehicle is driven or moved upon a highway.
- 10 Notwithstanding any other provision in this act, an insurer that
- 11 has issued an automobile insurance policy on a motor vehicle that
- 12 is not driven or moved upon a highway may allow the insured owner
- 13 or registrant of the motor vehicle to delete a portion of the
- 14 coverages under the policy and maintain the comprehensive cover-
- 15 age portion of the policy in effect.
- 16 (2) As used in this chapter:
- 17 (a) "Automobile insurance" means that term as defined in
- 18 section 2102.
- 19 (b) "Highway" means that term as defined in section 20 of
- 20 the Michigan vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of
- 21 1949, being section 257.20 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- (c) "Motorcycle" means a vehicle REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED
- 23 FOR USE ON A PUBLIC HIGHWAY IN THIS STATE having a saddle or seat
- 24 for the use of the rider, designed FOR OPERATION UPON A PUBLIC
- 25 HIGHWAY AND to travel on not more than 3 wheels in contact with
- 26 the ground, -which AND THAT is equipped with a motor that
- 27 exceeds 50 cubic centimeters piston displacement. The wheels on

- 1 any attachment to the vehicle shall not be considered as wheels
- 2 in contact with the ground. Motorcycle does not include a moped,
- 3 as defined in section 32b of the Michigan vehicle code, Act
- 4 No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, being section 257.32b of the
- 5 Michigan Compiled Laws, OR AN ORV AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1 OF ACT
- 6 NO. 319 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1975, BEING SECTION 257.1601 OF THE
- 7 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 8 (d) "Motorcycle accident" means a loss involving the owner-
- 9 ship, operation, maintenance, or use of a motorcycle as a motor-
- 10 cycle, but not involving the ownership, operation, maintenance,
- 11 or use of a motor vehicle as a motor vehicle.
- 12 (e) "Motor vehicle" means a vehicle REQUIRED TO BE REGIS-
- 13 TERED FOR USE ON A PUBLIC HIGHWAY IN THIS STATE, including a
- 14 trailer, operated or designed for operation upon a public highway
- 15 by power other than muscular power which has more than 2 wheels.
- 16 Motor vehicle does not include a motorcycle or a moped, as
- 17 defined in section 32b of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949,
- 18 being section 257.32b of the Michigan Compiled Laws, OR AN ORV AS
- 19 DEFINED IN SECTION 1 OF ACT NO. 319 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1975,
- 20 BEING SECTION 257.1601 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS. Motor vehi-
- 21 cle does not include a farm tractor or other implement of hus-
- 22 bandry which is not subject to the registration requirements of
- 23 the Michigan vehicle code pursuant to section 216 of the Michigan
- 24 vehicle code, Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, being sec-
- 25 tion 257.216 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 26 (f) "Motor vehicle accident" means a loss involving the
- 27 ownership, operation, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle as a

- 1 motor vehicle regardless of whether the accident also involves
- 2 the ownership, operation, maintenance, or use of a motorcycle as
- 3 a motorcycle.
- 4 (g) "Owner" means any of the following:
- 5 (i) A person renting a motor vehicle or having the use
- 6 thereof, under a lease or otherwise, for a period that is greater
- 7 than 30 days.
- 8 (ii) A person who holds the legal title to a vehicle, other
- 9 than a person engaged in the business of leasing motor vehicles
- 10 who is the lessor of a motor vehicle pursuant to a lease provid-
- 11 ing for the use of the motor vehicle by the lessee for a period
- 12 that is greater than 30 days.
- 13 (iii) A person who has the immediate right of possession of
- 14 a motor vehicle under an installment sale contract.
- 15 (H) "OWNERSHIP, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, OR USE OF A MOTOR
- 16 VEHICLE AS A MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS THAT THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE
- 17 MOTOR VEHICLE IN THE INJURY WAS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE TRANSPOR-
- 18 TATION FUNCTION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE.
- 19 (I) —(h)— "Registrant" does not include a person engaged in
- 20 the business of leasing motor vehicles who is the lessor of a
- 21 motor vehicle pursuant to a lease providing for the use of the
- 22 motor vehicle by the lessee for a period that is greater than 30
- 23 days.
- (3) Security may be provided under a policy issued by an
- 25 insurer duly authorized to transact business in this state
- 26 -which THAT affords insurance for the payment of benefits
- 27 described in subsection (1). A policy of insurance represented

- 1 or sold as providing security shall be deemed to provide
- 2 insurance for the payment of the benefits.
- 3 (4) Security required by subsection (1) may be provided by
- 4 any other method approved by the secretary of state as affording
- 5 security equivalent to that afforded by a policy of insurance, if
- 6 proof of the security is filed and continuously maintained with
- 7 the secretary of state throughout the period the motor vehicle is
- 8 driven or moved upon a highway. The person filing the security
- 9 has all the obligations and rights of an insurer under this
- 10 chapter. When the context permits, "insurer" as used in this
- 11 chapter, includes any person filing the security as provided in
- 12 this section.
- 13 Sec. 3104. (1) An unincorporated, nonprofit association to
- 14 be known as the catastrophic claims association, hereinafter
- 15 referred to as the association, is created. Each insurer engaged
- 16 in writing insurance coverages which provide the security
- 17 required by section 3101(1) within this state, as a condition of
- 18 its authority to transact insurance in this state, shall be a
- 19 member of the association and shall be bound by the REVISED plan
- 20 of operation of the association. Each insurer engaged in writing
- 21 insurance coverages which provide the security required by sec-
- 22 tion 3103(1) within this state, as a condition of its authority
- 23 to transact insurance in this state, shall be considered a member
- 24 of the association, but only for purposes of assessments under
- 25 subsection (7)(d). Except as expressly provided in this section,
- 26 the association shall not be subject to any laws of this state
- 27 with respect to insurers, but in all other respects the

- 1 association shall be subject to the laws of this state to the
- 2 extent that the association would be were it an insurer organized
- 3 and subsisting under chapter 50 AND SHALL BE CONSIDERED AN
- 4 INSURER FOR PURPOSES OF OPERATING PURSUANT TO THE PRUDENT PUR-
- 5 CHASER ACT, ACT NO. 233 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1984, BEING SEC-
- 6 TIONS 550.51 TO 550.63 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 7 (2) The association shall provide and each member shall
- 8 accept indemnification for 100% of the amount of ultimate loss
- 9 sustained under personal protection insurance coverages in excess
- 10 of \$250,000.00 in each loss occurrence ADJUSTED ANNUALLY IN
- 11 ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR INSURANCE POLICIES
- 12 ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 3101. INDEMNIFICATION SHALL BE PRO-
- 13 VIDED ONLY TO MEMBER INSURERS WITH CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY TO
- 14 TRANSACT INSURANCE IN THIS STATE FOR POLICIES OF PERSONAL PROTEC-
- 15 TION INSURANCE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THIS STATE. As used in
- 16 this section: -, "ultimate
- 17 (A) "CONSUMER PRICE INDEX" MEANS THE ANNUAL AVERAGE PERCEN-
- 18 TAGE INCREASE IN THE MICHIGAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL ITEMS
- 19 FOR THE PRIOR 12-MONTH PERIOD AS REPORTED BY THE UNITED STATES
- 20 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND AS CERTIFIED BY THE COMMISSIONER.
- 21 (B) "ULTIMATE loss" means the actual loss amounts which a
- 22 member is obligated to pay and which are paid or payable by the
- 23 member, and shall not include claim expenses. An ultimate loss
- 24 is incurred by the association on the date which the loss
- 25 occurs.

- 1 (3) An insurer may withdraw from the association only upon
- 2 ceasing to write insurance which provides the security required
- 3 by section 3101(1) in this state.
- 4 (4) An insurer whose membership in the association has been
- 5 terminated by withdrawal shall continue to be bound by the
- 6 REVISED plan of operation, and upon withdrawal, all unpaid premi-
- 7 ums -which- THAT have been charged to the withdrawing member
- 8 shall be payable as of the effective date of the withdrawal.
- 9 (5) An unsatisfied net liability to the association of an
- 10 insolvent member shall be assumed by and apportioned among the
- 11 remaining members of the association as provided in the plan of
- 12 operation. The association shall have all rights allowed by law
- 13 on behalf of the remaining members against the estate or funds of
- 14 the insolvent member for sums due the association.
- 15 (6) When IF a member has been merged or consolidated into
- 16 another insurer or another insurer has reinsured a member's
- 17 entire business -which THAT provides the security required by
- 18 section 3101(1) in this state, the member and successors in
- 19 interest of the member shall remain liable for the member's
- 20 obligations.
- 21 (7) The association shall do all of the following on behalf
- 22 of the members of the association:
- 23 (a) Assume 100% of all liability as provided in subsection
- 24 (2).
- 25 (b) Establish procedures by which members shall promptly
- 26 report to the association each claim -which THAT, on the basis
- 27 of the injuries or damages sustained, may reasonably be

- 1 anticipated to involve the association if the member is
- 2 ultimately held legally liable for the injuries or damages.
- 3 Solely for the purpose of reporting claims, the member shall in
- 4 all instances consider itself legally liable for the injuries or
- 5 damages. The member shall also advise the association of subse-
- 6 quent developments likely to materially affect the interest of
- 7 the association in the claim.
- 8 (c) Maintain relevant loss and expense data relative to all
- 9 liabilities of the association and require each member to furnish
- 10 statistics, in connection with liabilities of the association, at
- 11 the times and in the form and detail as may be required by the
- 12 REVISED plan of operation.
- 13 (d) In a manner provided for in the A REVISED plan of
- 14 operation, calculate and charge to members of the association a
- 15 total premium sufficient to cover the expected losses and
- 16 expenses of the association which THAT the association will
- 17 likely incur during the period for which the premium is
- 18 applicable. The premium shall include an amount to cover
- 19 incurred but not reported losses for the period and may be
- 20 adjusted for any excess or deficient premiums from previous
- 21 periods. Excesses or deficiencies from previous periods may be
- 22 fully adjusted in a single period or may be adjusted over several
- 23 periods in a manner provided for in the REVISED plan of
- 24 operation. Each member shall be charged an amount equal to that
- 25 member's total earned car years of insurance providing the secur-
- 26 ity required by section 3101(1) or 3103(1), or both, written in
- 27 this state during the period to which the premium applies,

- 1 multiplied by the average premium per car AND ADJUSTED TO REFLECT
- 2 THE MEMBER'S INSUREDS WHO HAVE SELECTED COVERAGE UNDER
- 3 SECTION 3107(1)(A)(ii) AND THE AMOUNT OF COVERAGE SELECTED. The
- 4 average premium per car shall be the total premium calculated
- 5 divided by the total earned car years of insurance providing the
- 6 security required by section 3101(1) or 3103(1) written in this
- 7 state of all members during the period to which the premium
- 8 applies. As used in this subdivision, "car" includes a
- 9 motorcycle.
- 10 (e) Require and accept the payment of premiums from members
- 11 of the association as provided for in the REVISED plan of
- 12 operation. The association shall do either of the following:
- 13 (i) Require payment of the premium in full within 45 days
- 14 after the premium charge.
- 15 (ii) Require payment of the premiums to be made periodically
- 16 to cover the actual cash obligations of the association.
- 17 (f) Receive and distribute all sums required by the opera-
- 18 tion of the association.
- 19 (g) Establish procedures for reviewing claims procedures and
- 20 practices of members of the association. If the claims proce-
- 21 dures or practices of a member are considered inadequate to prop-
- 22 erly service the liabilities of the association, the association
- 23 may undertake or may contract with another person, including
- 24 another member, to adjust or assist in the adjustment of claims
- 25 for the member on claims -which- THAT create a potential liabil-
- 26 ity to the association and may charge the cost of the adjustment
- 27 to the member.

- 1 (8) In addition to other powers granted to it by this
- 2 section, the association may do all of the following:
- 3 (a) Sue and be sued in the name of the association. A judg-
- 4 ment against the association shall not create any direct liabil-
- 5 ity against the individual members of the association. The asso-
- 6 ciation may provide for the indemnification of its members, mem-
- 7 bers of the board of directors of the association, and officers,
- 8 employees, and other persons lawfully acting on behalf of the
- 9 association.
- 10 (b) Reinsure all or any portion of its potential liability
- 11 with reinsurers licensed to transact insurance in this state or
- 12 approved by the commissioner.
- 13 (c) Provide for appropriate housing, equipment, and person-
- 14 nel as may be necessary to assure the efficient operation of the
- 15 association.
- 16 (d) Pursuant to the REVISED plan of operation, adopt reason-
- 17 able rules for the administration of the association, enforce
- 18 those rules, and delegate authority, as the board considers nec-
- 19 essary to assure the proper administration and operation of the
- 20 association consistent with the REVISED plan of operation.
- 21 (e) Contract for goods and services, including independent
- 22 claims management, actuarial, investment, and legal services,
- 23 from others within or without this state to assure the efficient
- 24 operation of the association.
- 25 (f) Hear and determine complaints of a company or other
- 26 interested party concerning the operation of the association.

- 1 (G) PARTICIPATE AT THE ASSOCIATION'S EXPENSE IN THE
- 2 ADJUSTMENT OR MANAGEMENT OF CLAIMS FOR MEMBERS.
- 3 (H) UNDERTAKE AND FUND STUDIES ON TREATMENTS, TECHNIQUES,
- 4 AND OTHER MEASURES AND PROCEDURES TO REDUCE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED
- 5 WITH CATASTROPHIC CLAIMS.
- 6 (I) -(g) Perform other acts not specifically enumerated in
- 7 this section -which- THAT are necessary or proper to accomplish
- 8 the purposes of the association and -which THAT are not incon-
- 9 sistent with this section or the REVISED plan of operation.
- 10 (9) A board of directors is created, hereinafter referred to
- 11 as the board, which shall be responsible for the operation of the
- 12 association consistent with the REVISED plan of operation and
- 13 this section.
- 14 (10) The REVISED plan of operation shall provide for all of
- 15 the following:
- (a) The establishment of necessary facilities.
- (b) The management and operation of the association.
- 18 (c) A preliminary premium, payable by each member in pro-
- 19 portion to its total first-year premium, for initial expenses
- 20 necessary to commence operation of the association.
- 21 (C) -(d) Procedures to be utilized in charging premiums,
- 22 including adjustments from excess or deficient premiums from
- 23 prior periods.
- 26 (D) -(e) Procedures governing the actual payment of premi-
- 25 ums to the association.

- 1 (E) -(f) Reimbursement of each member of the board by the
- 2 association for actual and necessary expenses incurred on
- 3 association business.
- 4 (F) -(g)— The investment policy of the association.
- 5 (G) -(h) Any other matters required by or necessary to
- 6 effectively implement this section.
- 7 (11) Not more than 30 days after the effective date of this
- 8 section, the commissioner shall convene an organizational meeting
- 9 of the board. The board shall be initially composed of 5 members
- 10 of the association appointed by the commissioner to serve as
- 11 directors, and the commissioner or a designated representative of
- 12 the commissioner serving as an ex officio member of the board
- 13 without vote. The initial board and each successor EACH board
- 14 shall include members -which THAT would contribute a total of
- 15 not less than 40% of the total premium calculated pursuant to
- 16 subsection (7)(d). Each director AND THE COMMISSIONER shall be
- 17 entitled to 1 vote. The initial term of office of a director
- 18 shall be 2 years.
- 19 (12) As part of the REVISED plan of operation, the board
- 20 shall adopt rules providing for the composition and term of suc-
- 21 cessor boards to the initial board, consistent with the member-
- 22 ship composition requirements in subsections (11) and (13).
- 23 Terms of the directors shall be staggered so that the terms of
- 24 all the directors do not expire at the same time and so that a
- 25 director does not serve a term of more than 4 years.

- 1 (13) The board shall consist of 5 directors and the
- 2 commissioner. -shall be an ex officio member of the board
- 3 without vote.
- 4 (14) Each director shall be appointed by the commissioner
- 5 and shall serve until that member's successor is selected and
- 6 qualified. The chairperson of the board shall be elected by the
- 7 board. A vacancy on the board shall be filled by the commis-
- 8 sioner consistent with the REVISED plan of operation.
- 9 (15) After the board is appointed, the board shall meet as
- 10 often as the chairperson, the commissioner, or the REVISED plan
- 11 of operation shall require, or at the request of any 3 members of
- 12 the board. The chairperson shall retain the right to vote on all
- 13 issues. Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum.
- 14 (16) An annual report of the operations of the association
- 15 in a form and detail as may be determined by the board shall be
- 16 furnished to each member.
- 17 (17) -Not more than 60-days after the initial organizational
- 18 meeting of the board, BY JULY 1, 1990, the board shall submit to
- 19 the commissioner for approval a REVISED proposed plan of opera-
- 20 tion consistent with the objectives and provisions of this sec-
- 21 tion, -which THAT shall provide for the economical, fair, and
- 22 nondiscriminatory administration of the association and for the
- 23 prompt and efficient provision of indemnity. If a REVISED plan
- 24 is not submitted -within this 60-day period BY JULY 1, 1990,
- 25 then the commissioner, after consultation with the board, shall
- 26 formulate and place into effect a REVISED plan consistent with
- 27 this section.

- 1 (18) The REVISED plan of operation, unless approved sooner
- 2 in writing, shall be considered to meet the requirements of this
- 3 section if it is not disapproved by written order of the commis-
- 4 sioner within 30 days after the date of its submission. Before
- 5 disapproval of all or any part of the REVISED proposed plan of
- 6 operation, the commissioner shall notify the board in what
- 7 respect the REVISED plan of operation fails to meet the require-
- 8 ments and objectives of this section. If the board fails to
- 9 submit a SECOND revised plan of operation which THAT meets the
- 10 requirements and objectives of this section within the 30-day
- 11 period, the commissioner shall enter an order accordingly and
- 12 shall immediately formulate and place into effect a REVISED plan
- 13 consistent with the requirements and objectives of this section.
- 14 (19) The REVISED proposed plan of operation or amendments to
- 15 the REVISED plan of operation shall be subject to majority
- 16 approval by the board, ratified by a majority of the membership,
- 17 -having a vote, with voting rights being apportioned according
- 18 to the premiums charged in subsection (7)(d) and shall be subject
- 19 to approval by the commissioner.
- 20 (20) Upon approval by the commissioner and ratification by
- 21 the members of the REVISED plan submitted, or upon the promulga-
- 22 tion of a REVISED plan by the commissioner, each insurer autho-
- 23 rized to write insurance providing the security required by sec-
- 24 tion 3101(1) in this state, as -defined PROVIDED in this sec-
- 25 tion, shall be bound by and shall formally subscribe to and par-
- 26 ticipate in the REVISED plan approved as a condition of
- 27 maintaining its authority to transact insurance in this state.

- 1 (21) The association shall be subject to all the reporting,
- 2 loss reserve, and investment requirements of the commissioner to
- 3 the same extent as would a member of the association.
- 4 (22) Premiums charged members by the association shall be
- 5 recognized in the rate-making procedures for insurance rates in
- 6 the same manner that expenses and premium taxes are recognized.
- 7 (23) The commissioner or an authorized representative of the
- 8 commissioner may visit the association at any time and examine
- 9 any and all the association's affairs.
- 10 (24) This section shall take effect on July 1, 1978. The
- 11 association shall not have liability for losses occurring before
- 12 -the effective date of this section JULY 1, 1978.
- 13 Sec. 3107. (1) Personal protection insurance benefits are
- 14 payable for the following:
- 15 (a) Allowable expenses -consisting of all-reasonable
- 16 charges— AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (i) AND (ii) incurred for
- 17 reasonably necessary products, services, and accommodations for
- 18 an injured person's care, recovery, or rehabilitation.
- 19 Allowable expenses within personal protection insurance coverage
- 20 shall not include charges for a hospital room in excess of a rea-
- 21 sonable and customary charge for semiprivate accommodations
- 22 except when the injured person requires special or intensive
- 23 care, or before October 1, 1988 charges for funeral and burial
- 24 expenses in excess of \$1,000.00. Beginning October 1, 1988, ben-
- 25 efits for funeral and burial expenses shall be payable in the
- 26 amount set forth in the policy but shall not be loss than
- 27 \$1,750.00 nor more than \$5,000.00. ON FORMS APPROVED BY THE

- 1 COMMISSIONER, AN INSURER SHALL OFFER IN WRITING THE FOLLOWING
- 2 COVERAGES AND AN INSURED SHALL SELECT IN WRITING 1 OF THE FOLLOW-
- 3 ING COVERAGES:
- 4 (i) COVERAGE FOR ALLOWABLE EXPENSES FOR ALL REASONABLE
- 5 CHARGES INCURRED FOR REASONABLY NECESSARY PRODUCTS, SERVICES, AND
- 6 ACCOMMODATIONS FOR AN INJURED PERSON'S CARE, RECOVERY, OR
- 7 REHABILITATION.
- 8 (ii) COVERAGE FOR ALLOWABLE EXPENSES FOR ALL REASONABLE
- 9 CHARGES UP TO A \$250,000.00, \$500,000.00, \$1,000,000.00, OR
- 10 \$2,000,000.00 LIMIT AS SELECTED BY THE INSURED, FOR REASONABLY
- 11 NECESSARY PRODUCTS, SERVICES, AND ACCOMMODATIONS FOR AN INJURED
- 12 PERSON'S CARE, RECOVERY, OR REHABILITATION. AN INSURER SHALL
- 13 OFFER COVERAGE UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH AT APPROPRIATELY REDUCED
- 14 PREMIUM RATES AND SUBJECT TO PRIOR APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSIONER.
- 15 COVERAGE UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL APPLY ONLY TO BENEFITS
- 16 PAYABLE TO THE PERSON NAMED IN THE POLICY, THE SPOUSE OF THE
- 17 INSURED, AND ANY RELATIVE OF EITHER DOMICILED IN THE SAME
- 18 HOUSEHOLD.
- 19 (b) —Work— EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2),
- 20 loss consisting of loss of income from work an injured person
- 21 would have performed during the first 3 years after the date of
- 22 the accident if he or she had not been injured and expenses not
- 23 exceeding \$20.00 per day, reasonably incurred in obtaining ordi-
- 24 nary and necessary services in lieu of those that, if he or she
- 25 had not been injured, an injured person would have performed
- 26 during the first 3 years after the date of the accident, not for
- 27 income but for the benefit of himself or herself or of his or her

- 1 dependent. Work loss does not include any loss after the date on
- 2 which the injured person dies. Because the benefits received
- 3 from personal protection insurance for loss of income are not
- 4 taxable income, the benefits payable for such loss of income
- 5 shall be reduced 15% unless the claimant presents to the insurer
- 6 in support of his or her claim reasonable proof of a lower value
- 7 of the income tax advantage in his or her case, in which case the
- 8 lower value shall apply. AN INSURER SHALL OFFER THE FOLLOWING
- 9 COVERAGES:
- 10 (i) Beginning March 30, 1973, -the-benefits payable for
- 11 work loss sustained in a single 30-day period and -the- income
- 12 earned by an injured person for work during the same period IN AN
- 13 AMOUNT THAT together shall not exceed \$1,000.00, which maximum
- 14 shall apply pro rata to any lesser period of work loss.
- 15 Beginning October 1, 1974, the maximum shall be adjusted annually
- 16 to reflect changes in the cost of living under rules prescribed
- 17 by the commissioner but any change in the maximum shall apply
- 18 only to benefits arising out of accidents occurring subsequent to
- 19 the date of change in the maximum.
- 20 (ii) BEGINNING APRIL 1, 1991, BENEFITS PAYABLE FOR WORK LOSS
- 21 SUSTAINED IN A SINGLE 30-DAY PERIOD AND INCOME EARNED BY AN
- 22 INJURED PERSON FOR WORK DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN AN AMOUNT THAT
- 23 TOGETHER IS NOT LESS THAN \$1,000.00 AND APPLIES PRO RATA TO ANY
- 24 LESSER PERIOD OF WORK LOSS.
- 25 (2) A PERSON MAY WAIVE COVERAGE FOR WORK LOSS BENEFITS FOR
- 26 HIMSELF OR HERSELF ONLY UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(B). AN INSURER
- 27 SHALL OFFER A REDUCED PREMIUM RATE TO A PERSON WHO WAIVES

- 1 COVERAGE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR WORK LOSS BENEFITS UNDER
- 2 SUBSECTION (1)(B).
- 3 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, ALLOWABLE EXPENSES WITHIN PER-
- 4 SONAL PROTECTION INSURANCE COVERAGE SHALL NOT INCLUDE CHARGES FOR
- 5 A HOSPITAL ROOM IN EXCESS OF A REASONABLE AND CUSTOMARY CHARGE
- 6 FOR SEMIPRIVATE ACCOMMODATIONS EXCEPT IF THE INJURED PERSON
- 7 REQUIRES SPECIAL OR INTENSIVE CARE, OR FOR FUNERAL AND BURIAL
- 8 EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT SET FORTH IN THE POLICY WHICH SHALL NOT BE
- 9 LESS THAN \$1,750.00 OR MORE THAN \$5,000.00. UNTIL RULES ARE
- 10 PROMULGATED UNDER SUBSECTION (4), ALLOWABLE EXPENSES SHALL NOT
- 11 EXCEED THE AMOUNT A HEALTH CARE FACILITY OR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER
- 12 IS REIMBURSED FOR TREATMENT, SERVICE, ACCOMMODATION, AND MEDICINE
- 13 PURSUANT TO THE FEE SCHEDULES CONTAINED IN R 418.101 TO
- 14 R 418.2324 OF THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. ALLOWABLE
- 15 EXPENSES FOR HOME HEALTH CARE SHALL NOT EXCEED THE REASONABLE AND
- 16 CUSTOMARY CHARGES FOR SIMILAR CARE IN A LICENSED HEALTH CARE
- 17 FACILITY. ALLOWABLE EXPENSES FOR HOME MODIFICATION ACCOMMODA-
- 18 TIONS SHALL NOT EXCEED \$50,000.00 ADJUSTED ANNUALLY TO REFLECT
- 19 CHANGES IN THE COST OF LIVING UNDER RULES PRESCRIBED BY THE COM-
- 20 MISSIONER BUT ANY CHANGE IN THE MAXIMUM SHALL APPLY ONLY TO BENE-
- 21 FITS ARISING OUT OF ACCIDENTS OCCURRING SUBSEQUENT TO THE DATE OF
- 22 CHANGE IN THE MAXIMUM. ALLOWABLE EXPENSES FOR VOCATIONAL REHA-
- 23 BILITATION SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN INJURED PERSON WHO WAS EMPLOYED
- 24 WITHIN THE 1 YEAR IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE ACCIDENT AND TO THOSE
- 25 EXPENSES THAT ARE REASONABLY NECESSARY TO RETURN THE PERSON TO
- 26 THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS HE OR SHE HAD PRIOR TO THE ACCIDENT IN THE
- 27 FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY:

- 1 (A) RETURN TO WORK PERFORMING THE SAME JOB WITH THE SAME
- 2 EMPLOYER.
- 3 (B) RETURN TO WORK PERFORMING THE SAME BUT MODIFIED JOB WITH
- 4 THE SAME EMPLOYER.
- 5 (C) RETURN TO WORK PERFORMING A DIFFERENT JOB, CAPITALIZING
- 6 ON TRANSFERABLE SKILLS, WITH THE SAME EMPLOYER.
- 7 (D) RETURN TO WORK PERFORMING A DIFFERENT JOB, ONE THAT CAP-
- 8 ITALIZES ON TRANSFERABLE SKILLS, WITH A DIFFERENT EMPLOYER.
- 9 (E) RETURN TO WORK PERFORMING A DIFFERENT JOB, ONE THAT
- 10 REQUIRES EXTENSIVE AND PROLONGED TRAINING, WITH THE SAME OR DIF-
- 11 FERENT EMPLOYER.
- 12 (F) RETURN TO WORK IN SELF-EMPLOYMENT.
- 13 (4) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROMULGATE RULES ESTABLISHING
- 14 SCHEDULES OF MAXIMUM FEES BY A HEALTH CARE FACILITY OR HEALTH
- 15 CARE PROVIDER FOR TREATMENT, SERVICE, ACCOMMODATION, AND
- 16 MEDICINE. THE SCHEDULES OF MAXIMUM FEES ESTABLISHED BY THESE
- 17 RULES SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNTS ESTABLISHED IN THE SCHEDULES
- 18 OF MAXIMUM FEES CONTAINED IN R 418.101 TO R 418.2324 OF THE
- 19 MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL SUBMIT THE
- 20 PROPOSED RULES FOR PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE
- 21 PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, ACT NO. 306 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1969,
- 22 BEING SECTIONS 24.201 TO 24.328 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS,
- 23 WITHIN 12 MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT
- 24 THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION.
- 25 (5) THERE SHALL BE NO LIABILITY ON THE PART OF, AND NO CAUSE.
- 26 OF ACTION OF ANY NATURE SHALL ARISE AGAINST, AN INSURER OR AN
- 27 INSURER'S AGENT, SOLICITOR, EMPLOYEE, OFFICER, OR DIRECTOR BASED

- 1 UPON AN INSURED'S SELECTION OF COVERAGE UNDER
- 2 SECTION 3107(1)(A)(ii).
- 3 Sec. 3109. (1) Benefits provided or required to be provided
- 4 under the laws of any state or the federal government shall be
- 5 subtracted from the personal protection insurance benefits other-
- 6 wise payable for the injury.
- 7 (2) An injured person is a natural person suffering acciden-
- 8 tal bodily injury.
- 9 (3) An insurer providing personal protection insurance bene-
- 10 fits may offer, at appropriately reduced premium rates, a deduct-
- 11 ible of a specified dollar amount -which THAT does not exceed
- 12 -\$300.00 \$1,000.00 per accident. This deductible may be appli-
- 13 cable to all or any specified types of personal protection insur-
- 14 ance benefits but shall apply only to benefits payable to the
- 15 person named in the policy, his OR HER spouse, and any relative
- 16 of either domiciled in the same household. Any other deductible
- 17 provisions require the prior approval of the commissioner.
- 18 Sec. 3109a. (1) An insurer providing personal protection
- 19 insurance benefits shall offer, at appropriately reduced premium
- 20 rates, deductibles and exclusions reasonably related to other
- 21 health and accident coverage on the insured. The deductibles and
- 22 exclusions required to be offered by this section shall be
- 23 subject to prior approval by the commissioner and shall apply
- 24 only to benefits payable to the person named in the policy, the
- 25 spouse of the insured and any relative of either domiciled in the
- 26 same household. PERSONAL PROTECTION INSURANCE BENEFITS OTHERWISE
- 27 PAYABLE FOR THE INJURY SHALL NOT BE PAYABLE TO THE EXTENT AN

- 1 INSURED HAS OTHER HEALTH AND ACCIDENT COVERAGE OR BENEFITS IN
- 2 ADDITION TO HIS OR HER PERSONAL PROTECTION INSURANCE BENEFITS.
- 3 Sec. 3113. A person is not entitled to be paid personal
- 4 protection insurance benefits for accidental bodily injury if at
- 5 the time of the accident any of the following circumstances
- 6 existed:
- 7 (a) The person was using a motor vehicle or motorcycle
- 8 -which THAT he or she had taken unlawfully, unless the person
- 9 reasonably believed that he or she was entitled to take and use
- 10 the vehicle.
- 11 (b) The person was the owner or registrant of a motor vehi-
- 12 cle or motorcycle involved in the accident with respect to which
- 13 the security required by section 3101 or 3103 was not in effect.
- 14 (C) THE PERSON WAS THE OPERATOR OF OR PASSENGER IN A MOTOR
- 15 VEHICLE OR MOTORCYCLE INVOLVED IN THE ACCIDENT AND HE OR SHE KNEW
- 16 THAT THE SECURITY REQUIRED BY SECTION 3101 OR 3103 WAS NOT IN
- 17 EFFECT.
- 18 (D) -(c) The person was not a resident of this state -
- 19 AND was an occupant of a motor vehicle or motorcycle not regis-
- 20 tered in this state. -, and was not insured by an insurer which
- 21 has filed a certification in compliance with section 3163.
- 22 Sec. 3116. (1) A subtraction from personal protection
- 23 insurance benefits shall not be made because of the value of a
- 24 claim in tort based on the same accidental bodily injury.
- 25 (2) A subtraction from or reimbursement for personal protec-
- 26 tion insurance benefits paid or payable under this chapter shall
- 27 be made only if recovery is realized upon a tort claim -arising

- 1 from an accident occurring outside this state, a tort claim
- 2 brought within this state against the owner or operator of a
- 3 motor vehicle with respect to which the security required by sec-
- 4 tion-3101 (3) and (4) was not in effect, or a tort-claim brought
- 5 within this state based on intentionally caused harm to persons
- 6 or property, and shall be made only to the extent that the
- 7 recovery realized by the claimant is for damages for which the
- 8 claimant has received or would otherwise be entitled to receive
- 9 personal protection insurance benefits. A subtraction shall be
- 10 made only to the extent of the recovery, exclusive of reasonable
- 11 attorneys' fees and other reasonable expenses incurred in effect-
- 12 ing the recovery. If personal protection insurance benefits have
- 13 already been received, the claimant shall repay to the insurers
- 14 out of the recovery a sum equal to the benefits received, but not
- 15 more than the recovery exclusive of reasonable attorneys' fees
- 16 and other reasonable expenses incurred in effecting the
- 17 recovery. The insurer shall have a lien on the recovery to this
- 18 extent. A recovery by an injured person or his or her estate for
- 19 loss suffered by the person shall not be subtracted in calculat-
- 20 ing benefits due a dependent after the death and a recovery by a
- 21 dependent for loss suffered by the dependent after the death
- 22 shall not be subtracted in calculating benefits due the injured
- 23 person.
- 24 (3) A personal protection insurer with a right of reimburse-
- 25 ment under subsection (1), if suffering loss from inability to
- 26 collect reimbursement out of a payment received by a claimant
- 27 upon a tort claim is entitled to indemnity from a person who,

- 1 with notice of the insurer's interest, made the payment to the
- 2 claimant without making the claimant and the insurer joint payees
- 3 as their interests may appear or without obtaining the insurer's
- 4 consent to a different method of payment.
- 5 (4) A subtraction or reimbursement shall not be due the
- 6 claimant's insurer from that portion of any recovery to the
- 7 extent that recovery is realized for noneconomic loss as provided
- 8 in section 3135(1) and (2)(b) or for allowable expenses, work
- 9 loss, and survivor's loss as defined in sections 3107 to 3110 in
- 10 excess of the amount recovered by the claimant from his or her
- 11 insurer.
- Sec. 3135. (1) A person remains subject to tort liability
- 13 for noneconomic loss caused by his or her ownership, maintenance,
- 14 or use of a motor vehicle only if the injured person has suffered
- 15 death, serious impairment of body function, or permanent serious
- 16 disfigurement. FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES PURSUANT TO
- 17 THIS SUBSECTION ARISING ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 1990, ALL OF THE
- 18 FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 19 (A) THE INJURED PERSON SHALL NOT HAVE SUFFERED SERIOUS
- 20 IMPAIRMENT OF BODY FUNCTION UNLESS THE PERSON HAS SUFFERED AN
- 21 OBJECTIVELY MANIFESTED IMPAIRMENT OF AN IMPORTANT BODY FUNCTION
- 22 THAT AFFECTS HIS OR HER GENERAL ABILITY TO LEAD A NORMAL LIFE.
- 23 THE ISSUE OF WHETHER AN INJURED PERSON HAS SUFFERED SERIOUS
- 24 IMPAIRMENT OF BODY FUNCTION SHALL BE A QUESTION OF LAW FOR THE
- 25 COURT.
- 26 (B) EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 5851 OF THE REVISED
- 27 JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961, ACT NO. 236 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1961,

- 1 BEING SECTION 600.5851 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, AN ACTION
- 2 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE COMMENCED LATER THAN 3 YEARS
- 3 AFTER THE DATE OF THE ACCIDENT THAT CAUSES THE INJURY REGARDLESS
- 4 OF WHEN THE PERSON DISCOVERS THAT HE OR SHE HAS SUFFERED A SERI-
- 5 OUS IMPAIRMENT OF BODY FUNCTION, PERMANENT SERIOUS DISFIGUREMENT,
- 6 OR DEATH.
- 7 (C) DAMAGES SHALL BE ASSESSED ON THE BASIS OF COMPARATIVE
- 8 FAULT, EXCEPT THAT FOR CLAIMS FILED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE
- 9 DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION DAMAGES
- 10 SHALL NOT BE ASSESSED IN FAVOR OF A PARTY WHO IS MORE THAN 50% AT
- 11 FAULT.
- 12 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, tort liabil-
- 13 ity arising from the ownership, maintenance, or use within this
- 14 state of a motor vehicle with respect to which the security
- 15 required by section $\frac{-3101(3)}{\text{and}}$ (4) $\frac{-3101(1)}{\text{and}}$ was in effect is
- 16 abolished except as to:
- (a) Intentionally caused harm to persons or property. Even
- 18 though a person knows that harm to persons or property is sub-
- 19 stantially certain to be caused by his or her act or omission,
- 20 the person does not cause or suffer such harm intentionally if he
- 21 or she acts or refrains from acting for the purpose of averting
- 22 injury to any person, including himself or herself, or for the
- 23 purpose of averting damage to tangible property.
- 24 (b) Damages for noneconomic loss as provided and limited in
- 25 subsection (1).
- 26 (c) Damages for allowable expenses, work loss, and
- 27 survivor's loss as defined in sections 3107 to 3110 in excess of

- 1 the daily, monthly, and 3-year limitations contained in those
- 2 sections. The party liable for damages is entitled to an exemp-
- 3 tion reducing his or her liability by the amount of taxes that
- 4 would have been payable on account of income the injured person
- 5 would have received if he or she had not been injured.
- 6 (d) Damages up to \$400.00 to motor vehicles, to the extent
- 7 that the damages are not covered by insurance. An action for
- 8 damages pursuant to this subdivision shall be conducted in com-
- 9 pliance with subsection (3).
- 10 (3) In an action for damages pursuant to subsection (2)(d):
- 11 (a) Damages shall be assessed on the basis of comparative
- 12 fault, except that damages shall not be assessed in favor of a
- 13 party who is more than 50% at fault.
- 14 (b) Liability shall not be a component of residual liabili-
- 15 ty, as prescribed in section 3131, for which maintenance of
- 16 security is required by this act.
- 17 (4) Actions under subsection (2)(d) shall be commenced,
- 18 whenever legally possible, in the small claims division of the
- 19 district court or the conciliation division of the common pleas
- 20 court of the city of Detroit or the municipal court. If the
- 21 defendant or plaintiff removes -such an THE action to a higher
- 22 court and does not prevail, the judge may assess costs.
- 23 (5) A decision of a court made pursuant to subsection (2)(d)
- 24 shall not be res judicata in any proceeding to determine any
- 25 other liability arising from the same circumstances as gave rise
- 26 to the action brought pursuant to subsection (2)(d).

- 1 (6) Subsections (2)(d), (3), (4), and (5) shall take effect
- 2 July 1, 1980.
- 3 Sec. 3142. (1) Personal protection insurance benefits are
- 4 payable as loss accrues.
- 5 (2) Personal protection insurance benefits are overdue if
- 6 not paid within 30 days after an insurer receives reasonable
- 7 proof of the fact and of the amount of loss sustained. If rea-
- 8 sonable proof is not supplied as to the entire claim, the amount
- 9 supported by reasonable proof is overdue if not paid within 30
- 10 days after the proof is received by the insurer. Any part of the
- 11 remainder of the claim that is later supported by reasonable
- 12 proof is overdue if not paid within 30 days after the proof is
- 13 received by the insurer. For the purpose of calculating the
- 14 extent to which benefits are overdue, payment shall be treated as
- 15 made on the date a draft or other valid instrument was placed in
- 16 the United States mail in a properly addressed, postpaid
- 17 envelope, or, if not so posted, on the date of delivery.
- 18 (3) An overdue payment bears -simple- interest at the rate
- 19 of 12% per annum SET BY SECTION 6013(6) OF THE REVISED JUDICA-
- 20 TURE ACT OF 1961, ACT NO. 236 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1961, BEING
- 21 SECTION 600.6013 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS. INTEREST PAID
- 22 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE OFFSET BY INTEREST PAYABLE UNDER
- 23 SECTION 6013(6) OF ACT NO. 236 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1961.
- Sec. 3315. The facility shall establish as part of its plan
- 25 of operation a program to reduce the participation ratio of an
- 26 insurer under section 3303(e)(i) based upon the number of private
- 27 passenger nonfleet automobiles voluntarily written in an urban

- 1 area. The program shall also include reductions to the
- 2 participation ratio for any increases in the number of private
- 3 passenger nonfleet automobiles voluntarily written in an urban
- 4 area. However, an insurer's participation ratio shall not be
- 5 increased by more than 10% annually as a result of this section.
- 6 As used in this section "urban area" means the area within the
- 7 boundaries of a city in this state which has a population of
- 8 1,000,000 or more as determined by the latest of each succeeding
- 9 federal decennial census and includes any city located wholly
- 10 within the boundaries of a city in this state which has a popula-
- 11 tion of 1,000,000 or more as determined by the latest of each
- 12 succeeding federal decennial census. This section is repealed
- 13 effective July 1, 1991.
- 14 Sec. 6101. As used in this chapter:
- 15 (a) "Authority" means the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING
- 16 prevention authority.
- 17 (b) "Board" means the board of directors of the automobile
- 18 theft AND DRUNK DRIVING prevention authority.
- 19 (c) "Economic automobile theft" means automobile theft per-
- 20 petrated for financial gain.
- 21 Sec. 6103. (1) There is hereby created a public body corpo-
- 22 rate and politic to be known as the automobile theft AND DRUNK
- 23 DRIVING prevention authority.
- 24 (2) The purposes, powers, and duties of the authority shall
- 25 be vested in and exercised by a board of directors.
- 26 (3) The board of directors shall consist of 7 members,
- 27 appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the

- 1 senate, 2 of whom shall be representative of purchasers of
- 2 automobile insurance in this state, 2 of whom shall be represen-
- 3 tative of automobile insurers doing business in this state, 2 of
- 4 whom shall be representative of law enforcement officials in this
- 5 state, and 1 of whom shall be the director of the department of
- 6 state police or his or her designee. The governor shall design
- 7 nate 1 member to serve as the chairperson of the authority.
- 8 (4) Members of the board shall serve for a term of 4 years.
- 9 (5) Members of the board shall serve without compensation
- 10 for their membership on the board, except that members of the
- 11 board shall receive reasonable reimbursement for necessary travel
- 12 and expenses.
- 13 (6) A majority of the members of the board shall constitute
- 14 a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting, or the
- 15 exercise of a power or function of the authority, notwithstanding
- 16 the existence of 1 or more vacancies. Notwithstanding any other
- 17 provision of law, action may be taken by the authority at a meet-
- 18 ing upon a vote of the majority of its members present in person
- 19 or through the use of amplified telephonic equipment, if autho-
- 20 rized by the bylaws of the board. The authority shall meet at
- 21 the call of the chair or as may be provided in the bylaws of the
- 22 authority. Meetings of the authority may be held anywhere within
- 23 the state of Michigan.
- 24 (7) The authority shall be within the department of state
- 25 police and shall exercise its prescribed statutory powers,
- 26 duties, and functions independently of the head of that
- 27 department. The budgeting, procurement, and related functions of

- 1 the authority, and administrative responsibilities for employees
 - 2 of the authority, shall be performed under the direction and
 - 3 supervision of the director of the department of state police.
 - 4 Sec. 6105. The authority shall have the powers necessary or
 - 5 convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provi-
 - 6 sions of this chapter and the purposes of the authority and the
 - 7 powers delegated by other laws, including, but not limited to,
 - 8 the power to:
 - 9 (a) Sue and be sued; to have a seal and alter the same at
- 10 pleasure; to have perpetual succession; to make, execute, and
- 11 deliver contracts, conveyances, and other instruments necessary
- 12 or convenient to the exercise of its powers; and to make and
- 13 amend bylaws.
- 14 (b) Solicit and accept gifts, grants, loans, funds collected
- 15 and placed in the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING prevention
- 16 fund, and other aids from any person or the federal, state, or a
- 17 local government or any agency thereof.
- 18 (c) Make grants and investments.
- 19 (d) Procure insurance against any loss in connection with
- 20 its property, assets, or activities.
- 21 (e) Invest any money held in reserve or sinking funds, or
- 22 any money not required for immediate use or disbursement, at its
- 23 discretion and to name and use depositories for its money.
- 24 (f) Contract for goods and services and engage personnel as
- 25 is necessary, including the services of private consultants, man-
- 26 agers, counsel, auditors, and others for rendering professional,

- 1 management, and technical assistance and advice, payable out of
- 2 any money of the fund legally available for this purpose.
- 3 (g) Indemnify and procure insurance indemnifying any member
- 4 of the board from personal loss or accountability from liability
- 5 resulting from a member's action or inaction as a member of the
- 6 board.
- 7 (h) Do all other things necessary or convenient to achieve
- 8 the objectives and purposes of the authority, this chapter, or
- 9 other laws.
- 10 Sec. 6107. (1) -Prior to April 1, 1986, and prior to
- 11 April 1 of each year thereafter, each EACH insurer engaged in
- 12 writing insurance coverages -which THAT provide the security
- 13 required by section 3101 (1) within this state, as a condition of
- 14 its authority to transact insurance in this state, shall pay to
- 15 the authority BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING ASSESSMENTS:
- 16 (A) PRIOR TO APRIL 1 OF EACH YEAR, an assessment equal to
- 17 \$1.00 multiplied by the insurer's total earned car years of
- 18 insurance providing the security required by section 3101 (1)
- 19 written in this state during the immediately preceding calendar
- 20 year.
- 21 (B) PRIOR TO APRIL 1, 1991 AND PRIOR TO APRIL 1 OF EACH YEAR
- 22 THEREAFTER, AN ASSESSMENT EQUAL TO \$100.00 FOR EACH INSURED, AND
- 23 COLLECTED FROM EACH INSURED, WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED, OR SUBJECT
- 24 TO A PROBATE COURT ORDER OF DISPOSITION, WITHIN 3 YEARS PRIOR TO
- 25 THE APRIL 1 ASSESSMENT OF A VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE OFFENSES
- 26 LISTED IN SECTION 2103(1)(D).

- 1 (2) Money received pursuant to subsection (1), and all other
- 2 money received by the authority, shall be segregated and placed
- 3 in a fund to be known as the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING
- 4 prevention fund. The automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING preven-
- 5 tion fund shall be administered by the authority.
- 6 (3) Money in the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING preven-
- 7 tion fund shall be expended in the following order of priority:
- 8 (a) To pay the costs of administration of the authority.
- 9 (b) To achieve the purposes and objectives of this chapter,
- 10 which may include, but not be limited to, the following:
- 11 (i) Provide financial support to the department of state
- 12 police and local law enforcement agencies for economic automobile
- 13 theft AND DRUNK DRIVING enforcement teams.
- 14 (ii) Provide financial support to state or local law
- 15 enforcement agencies for programs designed to reduce the inci-
- 16 dence of economic automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING.
- 17 (iii) Provide financial support to local prosecutors for
- 18 programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile
- 19 theft AND DRUNK DRIVING.
- 20 (iv) Provide financial support to judicial agencies for pro-
- 21 grams designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile
- 22 theft AND DRUNK DRIVING.
- 23 (v) Provide financial support for neighborhood or community
- 24 organizations or business organizations for programs designed to
- 25 reduce the incidence of automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING.
- 26 (vi) Conduct educational programs designed to inform
- 27 automobile owners of methods of preventing automobile theft AND

- 1 OF THE DANGERS OF DRUNK DRIVING and to provide equipment, for
- 2 experimental purposes, to enable automobile owners to prevent
- 3 automobile theft.
- 4 (4) Money in the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING preven-
- 5 tion fund shall only be used to enhance automobile theft AND
- 6 DRUNK DRIVING PREVENTION efforts as determined by the authority.
- 7 (5) Money in the automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING preven-
- 8 tion fund shall not be considered state money.
- 9 Sec. 6110. (1) The authority shall develop and implement a
- 10 plan of operation.
- 11 (2) The plan of operation shall include an assessment of the
- 12 scope of the problem of automobile theft AND DRUNK DRIVING,
- 13 including particular areas of the state where the problem is
- 14 greatest; an analysis of various methods of combating the problem
- 15 of automobile theft, -and- economic automobile theft, AND DRUNK
- 16 DRIVING; a plan for providing financial support to combat automo-
- 17 bile theft, and economic automobile theft, AND DRUNK DRIVING;
- 18 and an estimate of the funds required to implement the plan.
- 19 (3) The authority shall report annually on or before
- 20 February 1 to the governor and the legislature on its activities
- 21 in the preceding year.
- 22 Section 2. Sections 6115 and 6125 of Act No. 218 of the
- 23 Public Acts of 1956, being sections 500.6115 and 500.6125 of the
- 24 Michigan Compiled Laws, are repealed.
- 25 Section 3. Nothing in this 1989 amendatory act is intended
- 26 to alter or affect in any way the decisions of the United States
- 27 court of appeals for the sixth circuit in Northern Group

- 1 Services, Inc. v Auto Owners Insurance Company, 833 F. 2d 85
- 2 (1987) or the Michigan supreme court in Federal Kemper Insurance
- 3 Company, Inc. v Health Insurance Administration, Inc., 424 Mich
 - 4 537 (1986).