

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 3025 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY WRIGHT, OCTOBER 17, 2006

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, OCTOBER 17, 2006

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), entitled  
2 "An act relating to unfair insurance practices; prohibiting  
3 unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts  
4 and practices; and prescribing remedies and penalties,"  
5 further defining "unfair methods of competition" and "unfair  
6 or deceptive acts or practices."

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 5(a) of the act of July 22, 1974  
10 (P.L.589, No.205), known as the Unfair Insurance Practices Act,  
11 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

12 Section 5. Unfair Methods of Competition and Unfair or  
13 Deceptive Acts or Practices Defined.--(a) "Unfair methods of  
14 competition" and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices" in the  
15 business of insurance means:

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17 (15) With respect to the renewal of a policy of private  
18 passenger automobile or a policy covering owner-occupied private  
19 residential property or a policy covering personal property of

1 individuals, using a change in the insured's credit history,  
2 credit rating or a credit scoring model to increase a premium,  
3 assess a premium surcharge or refuse to renew the policy. For  
4 purposes of this paragraph, "credit" means information from a  
5 consumer report of a consumer reporting agency as defined in the  
6 Fair Credit Reporting Act (Public Law 91-508, 15 U.S.C. § 1681  
7 et seq.).

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9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.