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HOUSE BILL NO. 375

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INSURERS: Requires disclosure of available discounts relative to homeowners' and motor vehicle liability insurance policies

AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 22:881.1, relative to insurers; to require insurers to disclose discounts with 3 respect to homeowners' and motor vehicle insurance policies; to require means of 4 disclosure; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 22:881.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows: 7 §881.1. Discounts; disclosure requirements; homeowners' and motor vehicle 8 policies 9 Every insurer that writes homeowners' or private passenger motor vehicle 10 insurance policies in this state shall, in writing that is not less than twelve-point font, 11 disclose all discounts the insurer offers that may reduce the homeowners' or motor 12 vehicle insurance premium of a policyholder or prospective policyholder. Insurers 13 shall ensure the disclosure is delivered by electronic means as defined in R.S. 14 22:2461(1)(b) or submit the disclosure within the written materials of a new policy 15 delivered to the policyholder and at each subsequent renewal. For purposes of this 16 Section, "discounts" mean premium credits offered by an insurer to policyholders 17 who meet certain criteria established by the insurer. An insurer's failure to comply 18 with this Section does not create a cause of action. 19 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2025.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires insurers to disclose all offered discounts that may reduce premium costs of homeowners' and motor vehicle insurance policies.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires insurers writing homeowners' or private passenger motor vehicle insurance policies in the state of La. to disclose, in writing of not less than 12-point font, all discounts the insurer offers that may reduce the homeowners' or motor vehicle insurance premium of a policyholder or prospective policyholder. <u>Proposed law</u> defines "discounts".

<u>Proposed law</u> requires insurers to electronically disclose discounts on an electronic network or site, as described in <u>present law</u> (R.S. 22:2461(1)(b)), or within the written materials of a new policy delivered to the policyholder and at each subsequent renewal.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that an insurer's failure to comply with the disclosure requirement in <u>proposed law</u> does not create a cause of action.

Effective Jan. 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 22:881.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Insurance</u> to the original bill:

- 1. Specify that the disclosure requirement applies to insurers writing homeowners' or private passenger motor vehicle insurance policies.
- 2. Provide that an insurer's failure to comply with the disclosure requirement does not create an independent cause of action.
- 3. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Define "discounts".
- 2. Authorize an insurer to disclose discounts electronically or within written materials to the policyholder. Further clarify that an insurer's failure to comply with the disclosure requirement does not create a cause of action.
- 3. Provide an effective date of Jan. 1, 2025.