HOUSE BILL No. 4354

March 18, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Webber, Franz, Lyons, Cochran, Banks, Sheppard, Kosowski and Derek Miller and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled
"The insurance code of 1956,"
by amending sections 2108 and 2406 (MCL 500.2108 and 500.2406),
section 2406 as amended by 1993 PA 200.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2108. (1) On the effective date thereof, each insurer 2 shall file with the commissioner every OF A manual of classification, every manual of rules and rates, every rating plan, 3 4 and every OR modification of a manual of classification, manual of rules and rates, or a-rating plan which it-THAT AN INSURER proposes 6 to use for automobile insurance and OR home insurance, THE INSURER 7 SHALL FILE THE MANUAL OR PLAN WITH THE DIRECTOR. Each filing shall UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MUST state the character and extent of the coverage contemplated. Each AN insurer THAT IS subject to this chapter who AND THAT maintains rates in any part of this state

- 1 shall at all times maintain rates in effect for all eligible
- 2 persons meeting the underwriting criteria of the insurer.
- 3 (2) An insurer may satisfy its obligation to make filings
- 4 under subsection (1) by becoming a member of, or a subscriber to, a
- 5 rating organization licensed under chapter 24 or chapter 26 which
- 6 THAT makes those THE filings, and by filing with the commissioner
- 7 DIRECTOR a copy of its authorization of the rating organization to
- 8 make those THE filings on its behalf. Nothing contained in this
- 9 THIS chapter shall be construed as requiring any DOES NOT REQUIRE
- 10 AN insurer to become a member of or a subscriber to any A rating
- 11 organization. Insurers AN INSURER may file and use deviations from
- 12 filings made on their ITS behalf. , which THE deviations shall be
- 13 ARE subject to the provisions of this chapter.
- 14 (3) Each A filing shall—UNDER THIS SECTION MUST be accompanied
- 15 by a certification by or on behalf of the insurer that, to the best
- 16 of its_THE INSURER'S information and belief, the filing conforms to
- 17 the requirements of this chapter.
- 18 (4) Each—A filing shall—UNDER THIS SECTION MUST include
- 19 information that supports the filing with respect to the
- 20 requirements of section 2109. The information may include 1 or more
- 21 of the following:
- 22 (a) The experience or judgment of the insurer or rating
- 23 organization making the filing.
- 24 (b) The interpretation of the insurer or rating organization
- 25 of any statistical data it relies upon.ON.
- (c) The experience of other insurers or rating organizations.
- 27 (d) Any other relevant information.

- 1 (5) A-EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A
- 2 filing UNDER THIS SECTION and any accompanying information shall be
- 3 open to public inspection upon filing. IS A PUBLIC RECORD AS
- 4 PROVIDED IN THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231
- 5 TO 15.246. AN INSURER OR A RATING ORGANIZATION FILING ON THE
- 6 INSURER'S BEHALF MAY DESIGNATE THE FILING OR ANY ACCOMPANYING
- 7 INFORMATION AS A TRADE SECRET. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE
- 8 FILING OR ANY ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION IS A TRADE SECRET, THE
- 9 FILING OR ANY ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION IS EXEMPT FROM THE FREEDOM
- 10 OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246. AS USED IN
- 11 THIS SUBSECTION, "TRADE SECRET" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN
- 12 SECTION 2 OF THE UNIFORM TRADE SECRETS ACT, 1998 PA 448, MCL
- 13 445.1902.
- 14 (6) An insurer shall not make, issue, or renew a contract or
- 15 policy except in accordance with filings which THAT are in effect
- 16 for the insurer pursuant to UNDER this chapter.
- 17 Sec. 2406. (1) Except for worker's compensation insurance,
- 18 every AN insurer shall file with the commissioner every DIRECTOR A
- 19 manual of classification, every manual of rules and rates, every
- 20 rating plan, and every OR modification of any of the foregoing A
- 21 MANUAL OF CLASSIFICATION, MANUAL OF RULES AND RATES, OR RATING PLAN
- 22 that it THE INSURER proposes to use. Every such EACH filing shall
- 23 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MUST state the proposed effective date
- 24 thereof OF THE FILING and shall MUST indicate the character and
- 25 extent of the coverage contemplated. If a filing is not accompanied
- 26 by the information upon—ON which the insurer supports the filing,
- 27 and the commissioner DIRECTOR does not have sufficient information

- 1 to determine whether IF the filing meets the requirements of this
- 2 chapter, the commissioner DIRECTOR shall within 10 days of the
- 3 filing give written notice to the insurer to furnish the
- 4 information upon which it THAT supports the filing. The information
- 5 furnished in support of a filing may include the experience or
- 6 judgment of the insurer or rating organization making the filing,
- 7 its interpretation of any statistical data it relies upon, ON, the
- 8 experience of other insurers or rating organizations, or any other
- 9 relevant factors. A filing and any supporting information shall be
- 10 open to public inspection after the filing becomes effective.
- 11 (2) Except for worker's compensation insurance, an insurer may
- 12 satisfy its obligation to make such filings by becoming a member
- 13 of, or a subscriber to, a licensed rating organization that makes
- 14 such filings, and by filing with the commissioner DIRECTOR a copy
- 15 of its authorization of the rating organization to make such
- 16 filings on its behalf. Nothing contained in this THIS chapter shall
- 17 be construed as requiring any DOES NOT REQUIRE AN insurer to become
- 18 a member of or a subscriber to any A rating organization.
- 19 (3) For worker's compensation insurance in this state, the
- 20 insurer shall file with the commissioner DIRECTOR all rates and
- 21 rating systems. Every insurer that insures worker's compensation in
- 22 this state on the effective date of this subsection shall file the
- 23 rates not later than the effective date of this subsection.
- 24 (4) Except as provided in subsection (3) and as otherwise
- 25 provided in this subsection, the THE rates and rating systems for
- 26 worker's compensation insurance shall MUST be filed not later than
- 27 the date the rates and rating systems are to be effective. However,

- 1 if the insurer providing worker's compensation insurance is
- 2 controlled by a nonprofit health care corporation formed pursuant
- 3 to the nonprofit health care corporation reform act, Act No. 350 of
- 4 the Public Acts of 1980, being sections 550.1101 to 550.1704 of the
- 5 Michigan Compiled Laws, the rates and rating systems that it
- 6 proposes to use shall be filed with the commissioner not less than
- 7 45 days before the effective date of the filing. These filings
- 8 shall be considered to meet A FILING UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MEETS
- 9 the requirements of this chapter unless and until the commissioner
- 10 DIRECTOR disapproves a filing pursuant to UNDER section 2418 or
- **11** 2420.
- 12 (5) Each A filing under subsections (3) and (4) shall MUST be
- 13 accompanied by a certification by the insurer that, to the best of
- 14 its_THE INSURER'S information and belief, the filing conforms to
- 15 the requirements of this chapter.
- 16 (6) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A FILING
- 17 UNDER THIS SECTION AND ANY SUPPORTING INFORMATION IS A PUBLIC
- 18 RECORD AS PROVIDED IN THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442,
- 19 MCL 15.231 TO 15.246. AN INSURER OR A RATING ORGANIZATION FILING ON
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- 1 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 2 after the date it is enacted into law.