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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to insurance; amending 36 O.S. 2021,
8 Sections 953 and 959, which relate to use of credit
9 information and sale of data or lists by consumer
10 reporting agencies; prohibiting the use of credit
11 information to underwrite or rate risks; applying
12 certain provisions to certain data or lists;
13 repealing 36 O.S. 2021, Sections 953.1, 954, 955,
14 956, 957, and 958, which relate to use of credit
15 information in personal insurance; and providing an
16 effective date.

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2021, Section 953, is
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 953. An insurer authorized to do business in this state
21 ~~that uses shall not use~~ credit information to underwrite or rate
22 risks, shall not:

23 1. ~~Use an insurance score that is calculated using income,~~
24 ~~gender, address, zip code, ethnic group, religion, marital status,~~
~~or nationality of the consumer as a factor;~~

25 2. ~~Deny, cancel or fail to renew a policy of personal insurance~~
~~solely on the basis of credit information, without consideration of~~

1 any other applicable underwriting factor independent of credit
2 information and not expressly prohibited by paragraph 1 of this
3 section;

4 3. Base renewal rates for personal insurance of an insured
5 solely upon credit information, without consideration of any other
6 applicable factor independent of credit information;

7 4. Take adverse action against a consumer solely because the
8 consumer does not have a credit card account, without consideration
9 of any other applicable factor independent of credit information;

10 5. Consider an absence of credit information or an inability to
11 calculate an insurance score in underwriting or rating personal
12 insurance, unless the insurer does one of the following:

13 a. treats the consumer as otherwise approved by the
14 Insurance Commissioner, if the insurer presents
15 information that an absence or inability relates to
16 the risk for the insurer,

17 b. treats the consumer as if the applicant or insured had
18 neutral credit information, as defined by the insurer,
19 or

20 c. excludes the use of credit information as a factor and
21 use only other underwriting criteria;

22 6. Take an adverse action against a consumer based on credit
23 information, unless an insurer obtains and uses a credit report

1 issued or an insurance score calculated within ninety (90) days from
2 the date the policy is first written or renewal is issued;

3 7. Use credit information unless not later than every thirty
4 six (36) months following the last time that the insurer obtained
5 current credit information for the insured, the insurer recalculates
6 the insurance score or obtains an updated credit report. Regardless
7 of the requirements of this subsection:

8 a. at annual renewal, upon the request of a consumer or
9 the agent of the consumer, the insurer shall
10 reunderwrite and rerate the policy based upon a
11 current credit report or insurance score. An insurer
12 need not recalculate the insurance score or obtain the
13 updated credit report of a consumer more frequently
14 than once in a twelve-month period,

15 b. the insurer shall have the discretion to obtain
16 current credit information upon any renewal before the
17 thirty-six (36) months, if consistent with its
18 underwriting guidelines, and

19 c. no insurer need obtain current credit information for
20 an insured, despite the requirements of paragraph 7 of
21 this section, if one of the following applies:

22 (1) the insurer is treating the consumer as otherwise
23 approved by the Commissioner,

(2) the insured is in the most favorably priced tier of the insurer, within a group of affiliated insurers. However, the insurer shall have the discretion to order a report, if consistent with its underwriting guidelines,

(3) credit was not used for underwriting or rating

the insured when the policy was initially

written. However, the insurer shall have the

discretion to use credit for underwriting or

~~rating the insured upon renewal, if consistent~~

~~with its underwriting guidelines, or~~

(4) the insurer reevaluates the insured beginning no later than thirty-six (36) months after inception and thereafter based upon other underwriting or rating factors, excluding credit information; and

8. Use the following as a negative factor in any insurance scoring methodology or in reviewing credit information for the purpose of underwriting or rating a policy of personal insurance.

a. credit inquiries not initiated by the consumer or inquiries requested by the consumer for the credit information of the consumer

b. inquiries relating to insurance coverage, if so identified on a credit report of the consumer,

- 1 c. collection accounts with a medical industry code, if
2 so identified on the credit report of the consumer,
3 d. multiple lender inquiries, if coded by the consumer
4 reporting agency on the credit report of the consumer
5 as being from the home mortgage industry and made
6 within thirty (30) days of one another, unless only
7 one inquiry is considered, and
8 e. multiple lender inquiries, if coded by the consumer
9 reporting agency on the credit report of the consumer
10 as being from the automobile lending industry and made
11 within thirty (30) days of one another, unless only
12 one inquiry is considered.

13 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2021, Section 959, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 959. A. No consumer reporting agency shall provide or
16 sell data or lists that include any information that in whole or in
17 part was submitted in conjunction with an insurance inquiry about a
18 consumer's credit information or a request for a credit report or
19 insurance score. Such information includes, but is not limited to,
20 the expiration dates of an insurance policy or any other information
21 that may identify time periods during which a consumer's insurance
22 may expire and the terms and conditions of the consumer's insurance
23 coverage.

1 B. The restrictions provided in subsection A of this section do
2 not apply to data or lists the consumer reporting agency supplies to
3 the insurance agent from whom information was received, the insurer
4 on whose behalf such agent acted, or such insurer's affiliates or
5 holding companies.

6 C. Nothing in this section shall be construed to restrict any
7 insurer from being able to obtain a claims history report or a motor
8 vehicle report.

9 SECTION 3. REPEALER 36 O.S. 2021, Sections 953.1, 954,
10 955, 956, 957, and 958 are hereby repealed.

11 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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