

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 SB1967

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/154

from Ch. 73, par. 766

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that if a company opts not to obtain readily available information for named insureds and drivers provided by the applicant at the time of application to underwrite the risk prior to issuing the policy, the company shall not defeat, avoid, or rescind the policy of insurance based on obtaining the readily available information after a loss has occurred or a claim is filed. Defines "readily available information".

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by changing Section 154 as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/154) (from Ch. 73, par. 766)
- 7 Sec. 154. Misrepresentations and false warranties.
- 8 (a) No misrepresentation or false warranty made by the 9 insured or in his behalf in the negotiation for a policy of insurance, or breach of a condition of such policy shall defeat 10 or avoid the policy or prevent its attaching unless such 11 12 misrepresentation, false warranty or condition shall have been stated in the policy or endorsement or rider attached thereto, 13 14 in the written application therefor. No or such misrepresentation or false warranty shall defeat or avoid the 15 16 policy unless it shall have been made with actual intent to 17 deceive or materially affects either the acceptance of the risk or the hazard assumed by the company. With respect to a policy 18 19 of insurance as defined in subsection (a), (b), or (c) of Section 143.13, except life, accident and health, fidelity and 20 21 surety, and ocean marine policies, a policy or policy renewal 22 shall not be rescinded after the policy has been in effect for one year or one policy term, whichever is less. This Section 23

- 1 shall not apply to policies of marine or transportation
- 2 insurance.
- 3 (b) If a company opts not to obtain readily available
- 4 information for named insureds and drivers provided by the
- 5 applicant at the time of application to underwrite the risk
- 6 prior to issuing the policy, the company shall not defeat,
- 7 avoid, or rescind the policy of insurance based on obtaining
- 8 the readily available information after a loss has occurred or
- 9 a claim is filed.
- 10 As used in this subsection, "readily available
- information" means information that appears on the motor
- vehicle record (MVR) maintained by the Secretary of State or
- 13 the LexisNexis Comprehensive Loss Underwriting Exchange
- 14 (C.L.U.E.) Auto Reports, or the corresponding subsequent
- 15 equivalent.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 89-413, eff. 6-1-96.)