



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2009 and 2010

HB6105

Introduced 2/11/2010, by Rep. Joseph M. Lyons

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Volunteer Driver Protection Act. Provides that an insurer may not refuse to issue vehicle insurance to a person solely because the applicant is a volunteer driver and may not impose a surcharge or otherwise increase the rate for a vehicle policy solely on the basis that the named insured or any member of the insured's household or a person who customarily operates the insured's vehicle is a volunteer driver. Provides that the Act shall not prohibit an insurer from taking any actions upon factors other than the volunteer status of the insured driver. Provides that no producer of vehicle insurance may receive a license under the Illinois Insurance Code or any other professional regulation statute if the producer fails to certify under oath that the producer does not discriminate against volunteer drivers. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning insurance.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Volunteer Driver Protection Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Vehicle insurance" has the same meaning ascribed to it in
8 the Illinois Insurance Code.

9 "Volunteer driver" means a person who transports
10 individuals or goods without compensation above reimbursement
11 for expenses. Such volunteer driving must be performed for a
12 not-for-profit agency or charitable organization as defined in
13 the General Not for Profit Corporation Act of 1986.

14 Section 10. Volunteer drivers. An insurer may not refuse to
15 issue vehicle insurance to a person solely because the
16 applicant is a volunteer driver. An insurer may not impose a
17 surcharge or otherwise increase the rate for a vehicle policy
18 solely on the basis that the named insured or any member of the
19 insured's household or a person who customarily operates the
20 insured's vehicle is a volunteer driver. This Act shall not
21 prohibit an insurer from taking any actions upon factors other
22 than the volunteer status of the insured driver. No producer of

1 vehicle insurance may receive a license under the Illinois
2 Insurance Code or any other professional regulation statute if
3 the producer fails to certify under oath that the producer does
4 not discriminate against volunteer drivers.

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
6 becoming law.