INSURANCE RATES. Prohibits insurers from using certain criteria for rate setting.  
(8/1/20)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1454(A), relative to rating standards and methods; to prohibit 
the use of credit scores, employment classifications, or marital status to classify 
risks; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. The Legislature of Louisiana hereby finds that the use of certain criteria 
by automobile insurers in determining rates amounts to discriminatory taxation of certain 
classes of people. The provisions of this Act eliminate the widow tax, the blue collar worker 
tax, and the credit tax imposed by automobile insurers.

Section 2. R.S. 22:1454(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1454. Rating standards and methods

A. Rates shall not be inadequate or unfairly discriminatory in a competitive 
market. Rates shall not be excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory in a 
noncompetitive market. Risks may be classified using any criteria except that no risk 
shall be classified on the basis of race, color, creed, or national origin, credit score, 
employment type or classification, or status as a widow or widower.

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Coding: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in boldface type and underscored are additions.
The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by LG Sullivan.

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Present law prohibits rates from being inadequate or unfairly discriminatory in a competitive market. Further prohibits rates from being excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory in a noncompetitive market. Provides that no risk shall be classified on the basis of race, color, creed, or national origin.

Proposed law retains present law and prohibits risks from being classified on the basis of credit score, job type, or status as a widow or widower.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 22:1454(A))