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HB 224 Engrossed

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Abstract: Beginning July 1, 2026, decreases the annual premium tax on vehicle insurance policies or other vehicle risk contracts with gross annual premiums that exceed \$6,000, from \$300 for each additional \$10,000 of gross annual premiums to \$200 for each additional \$10,000 of gross annual premiums.

<u>Present law</u> levies an annual premium tax on each insurer issuing insurance policies or contracts in this state, including policies that cover vehicle risks. The minimum annual tax amount is \$185 when gross annual premiums are \$6,000 or less and for policies with gross annual premiums in excess of \$6,000, the amount of the tax shall be \$300 for each additional \$10,000, or fraction thereof, of gross annual premiums. <u>Present law</u> requires the tax to be paid on a quarterly basis.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> for all insurance policies or other obligations issued in this state other than those that cover vehicle risks.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> with respect to the amount of the minimum annual tax for vehicle risk policies when gross annual premiums are \$6,000 or less. Beginning July 1, 2026, <u>proposed law</u> reduces the additional amount of tax for vehicle risk policies that have gross annual premiums in excess of \$6,000 <u>from</u> \$300 for each additional \$10,000 of gross annual premiums <u>to</u> \$200 for each additional \$10,000 of gross annual premiums.

<u>Proposed law</u> applies to policies or contracts covering vehicle risks issued or executed on or after July 1, 2026.

Effective July 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 22:831(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Insurance to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.