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HOUSE BILL NO. 320

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BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE

INSURANCE/AUTOMOBILE: Requires notice to an employee when an employer has declined certain insurance coverage

AN ACT

2	To enact R.S. 22:1295(1)(a)(v), relative to rejection of uninsured motorist coverage; to
3	require an employer who rejects uninsured motorist coverage for vehicles provided
4	to employees to provide the employees notice of the rejection; and to provide for
5	related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 22:1295(1)(a)(v) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
8	§1295. Uninsured motorist coverage
9	The following provisions shall govern the issuance of uninsured motorist
10	coverage in this state:
11	(1)(a)
12	* * *
13	(v) An employer who rejects coverage and who provides a vehicle to his
14	employees for business use shall provide written notice to his employees that the
15	employer-provided vehicle does not have uninsured motorist coverage. Failure of
16	the employer to provide written notice of the lack of coverage shall result in the
17	employer being liable to the employee for damages sustained by the employee while
18	operating the employer-provided vehicle that would otherwise be covered by
19	uninsured motorist coverage in an amount not to exceed the minimum liability limits

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1 required under R.S. 32:900, unless economic-only coverage is selected by the

2 <u>employer as authorized under this Section.</u>

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires an employer to provide notice to employees when the employer rejects uninsured motorist coverage on vehicles the employer provides to employees.

<u>Present law</u> requires uninsured motorist coverage be included in all automobile liability policies issued in La. unless affirmatively rejected by the policyholder.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but adds a requirement that an employer provide notice to employees that vehicles furnished by the employer for use by employees does not have uninsured motorist coverage.

(Adds R.S. 22:1295(1)(a)(v))