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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE REPARATIONS
ACT

Introduced By: Senators Murray, and Thompson

Date Introduced: March 04, 2026

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-47-18 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-47 entitled "Motor
2 Vehicle Reparations Act" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-47-18. Automobile liability insurance rates.**

4 Any general or public law to the contrary notwithstanding, the commissioner shall, after
5 consulting with all insurers licensed to write automobile liability insurance in this state, promulgate
6 regulations which provide that automobile liability insurance rates shall [not take into account the](#)
7 [credit history or credit score of the applicant for insurance, but shall only](#) take into account the past
8 claim experience of the applicant for the insurance and incorporate the principles used in so called
9 "merit rating" or "experience rating" rate plans which are now in effect in other states.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 1 This act would prohibit the consideration of an applicant's credit history in determining
- 2 automobile insurance rates.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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