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**HOUSE BILL** 01-1126

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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF CONSUMER CREDIT INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF INSURANCE POLICIES.

## **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Prohibits insurers from using a consumer credit report or credit scoring information to determine either the consumer's eligibility for noncommercial insurance or the premium to be charged to the consumer for noncommercial insurance.

| 1  | Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:               |
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| 2  | SECTION 1. 10-1-111 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is                        |
| 3  | amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW                                  |
| 4  | PARAGRAPHS to read:   |
| 5  | 10-1-111. Grounds and procedure for suspension or revocation                  |
| 6  | of certificate or license of entities. (1) The certificate of authority of an |
| 7  | insurance company to do business in this state may be revoked or              |
| 8  | suspended by the commissioner for any reason specified in this title,         |
| 9  | article 7 of title 12, and article 14 of title 24, C.R.S. Specifically, the   |
| 10 | certificate may be suspended or revoked by the commissioner for the           |
| 11 | following reasons:  |
| 12 | (k) Use of credit scoring, as defined in section 12-14.3-102                  |
| 13 | (4.3), C.R.S., TO DETERMINE EITHER THE CONSUMER'S ELIGIBILITY FOR             |
| 14 | INSURANCE OR THE PREMIUM TO BE CHARGED TO THE CONSUMER EXCEPT                 |
| 15 | IN CONNECTION WITH INSURANCE COVERING THE CONSUMER'S BUSINESS,                |
| 16 | PROFESSION, OR OCCUPATION.  |
| 17 | (1) USE OF A CONSUMER REPORT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION                           |
| 18 | 12-14.3-102 (3), C.R.S., TO DETERMINE EITHER THE CONSUMER'S                   |
| 19 | ELIGIBILITY FOR INSURANCE OR THE PREMIUM TO BE CHARGED TO THE                 |
| 20 | CONSUMER EXCEPT IN CONNECTION WITH INSURANCE COVERING THE                     |
| 21 | CONSUMER'S BUSINESS, PROFESSION, OR OCCUPATION.                               |
| 22 | <b>SECTION 2.</b> 12-14.3-103 (1) (c) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes,       |
| 23 | is amended to read:   |
| 24 | <b>12-14.3-103.</b> Permissible purposes - prohibition. (1) A                 |
| 25 | consumer reporting agency may furnish a consumer report only under the        |
| 26 | following circumstances:  |
| 27 | (c) To a person which the consumer reporting agency has reason                |

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|  | (III) Intends to use credit scoring information in connection with         |  |
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|  | the underwriting or rating of BUSINESS insurance involving the consumer    |  |
|  | and such person establishes that the consumer has received written         |  |
|  | notification, or notification in the same medium as the application for    |  |
|  | insurance, that a credit report may be requested in connection with his or |  |
|  | her application for BUSINESS insurance and that credit scoring information |  |
|  | may be used to determine either the consumer's eligibility for SUCH        |  |
|  | insurance or the premium to be charged to the consumer; or                 |  |
| SECTION 3. Effective date - applicability. This act shall take |  |  |
|  | effect July 1, 2001, and shall apply to policies of insurance issued or    |  |
|  | renewed on or after said date.   |  |
|  | SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds                |  |
|  | determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate      |  |
|  | preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.                      |  |

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