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11	Senator Miller moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment
14	On page 4, line 23, through
15	page 5, line 18, delete those lines
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17	and insert: in which instance the insurer shall:
18	a. Treat the applicant or insured as if the applicant
19	or insured had neutral credit information as defined by the
20	insurer.
21	b. Treat the consumer as if the applicant or insured
22	had neutral credit information, as defined by the insurer.
23	c. Exclude the use of credit information as a factor
24	and use only other underwriting criteria;
25	2. Collection accounts with a medical industry code,
26	if so identified on the consumer's credit report;
27	3. Place of residence; or
28	4. Any other circumstance that the Financial Services
29	Commission determines, by rule, lacks sufficient statistical
30	correlation and actuarial justification as a predictor of
31	insurance risk.

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(d) An insurer may use the number of credit inquiries 1 requested or made regarding the applicant or insured except 3 for: 4 1. Credit inquiries not initiated by the consumer or inquiries requested by the consumer for his or her own credit information. 6 2. Inquiries relating to insurance coverage, if so 7 8 identified on a consumer's credit report. 9 3. Collection accounts with a medical industry code, if so identified on the consumer's credit report. 10 4. Multiple lender inquiries, if coded by the consumer 11 12 reporting agency on the consumer's credit report as being from the home mortgage industry and made within 30 days of one 13 14 another, unless only one inquiry is considered. 15 5. Multiple lender inquiries, if coded by the consumer 16 reporting agency on the consumer's credit report as being from the automobile lending industry and made within 30 days of one 17 another, unless only one inquiry is considered. 18 19 (e) An insurer must, upon the request of an applicant 20 or insured, provide a means of appeal for an applicant or insured whose credit report or credit score is unduly 21 2.2 influenced by a dissolution of marriage, the death of a 23 spouse, or temporary loss of employment. The insurer must complete its review within 10 business days after the request 24 25 by the applicant or insured and receipt of reasonable documentation requested by the insurer, and, if the insurer 26 determines that the credit report or credit score was unduly 27 28 influenced by any of such factors, the insurer shall treat the 29 applicant or insured as if the applicant or insured had neutral credit information or shall exclude the credit 30

31 information, as defined by the insurer, whichever is more

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1	favorable to the applicant or insured. An insurer shall not be
2	considered out of compliance with its underwriting rules or
3	rates or forms filed with the Office of Insurance Regulation
4	or out of compliance with any other state law or rule as a
5	result of granting any exceptions pursuant to this subsection.
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