

By Mr. Sisitsky of Springfield, petition of Alan D. Sisitsky for legislation to create a state rating bureau to assist in establishing premium charges for compulsory motor vehicle liability insurance. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-One.

AN ACT CREATING A STATE RATING BUREAU TO ASSIST IN THE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING OF REASONABLE, JUST AND NON-DISCRIMINATORY PREMIUM CHARGES FOR COMPULSORY MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 26 of the General Laws is hereby amended by insert-
2 ing after section 8B the following section:—

3 *Section 8C.* There shall be in the division of insurance a
4 rating bureau which shall make an investigation and study of
5 all insurance companies authorized to issue motor vehicle lia-
6 bility policies, as defined in section thirty-four A of chapter
7 ninety, and such data, statistics, schedules or other informa-
8 tion as it may deem necessary to assist in the determination
9 of adequate, reasonable, just and non-discriminatory premium
10 charges for such policies, for the purpose of assisting the com-
11 missioner of insurance in the annual fixing and establishment
12 of fair and reasonable classifications of risks, and adequate, just,
13 reasonable and non-discriminatory premium charges for com-
14 pulsory motor vehicle liability insurance. The chief of said
15 rating bureau shall annually report the results of its investiga-
16 tion and study, and its recommendations, to the commissioner
17 of insurance, who shall thereafter fix and establish said classifica-
18 tions and charges, as provided in section one hundred and thir-
19 teen B of chapter one hundred and seventy-five, for the follow-
20 ing year. No board or agency shall establish and fix such
21 charges. All costs of administration and operation of said board

22 shall be borne by insurance companies writing compulsory motor
 23 vehicle liability insurance within the commonwealth, and the
 24 commissioner shall apportion such costs among all such com-
 25 panies, and shall assess them, for the same, in proportion to the
 26 amount of such business each such company writes in the com-
 27 monwealth.