SECOND REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 865

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Small Business, Insurance and Industrial Relations, February 28, 2008, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 376, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to prohibiting discrimination in life insurance based upon lawful travel destinations, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 376, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 376.502, to read as follows:

376.502. 1. No life insurance company doing business within this state shall deny or refuse to accept an application for life insurance, 2 refuse to renew, cancel, restrict, or otherwise terminate a policy of life 3 insurance, or charge a different rate for the same life insurance 4 coverage, based upon the applicant's or insured's past or future lawful 5travel destinations. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a life 6 insurance company from denying an application for life insurance, or 7 charging a different premium or rate for such coverage under such 8 9 policy based on a specific travel destination where the denial or rate differential is based upon sound actuarial principles or is related to 10 actual or reasonably anticipated experience. 11

2. A violation of the provisions of this section shall be an unfair
trade practice as defined by sections 375.930 to 375.948, RSMo, and
shall be subject to all of the provisions and penalties provided by such
sections.

3. The provisions of this section shall apply to any life insurance
policy issued or renewed on or after August 28, 2008.