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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 379, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to mandating automobile insurance discounts for the installation of anti-theft mechanisms.

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

Section A. Chapter 379, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 379.1450, to read as follows:

379.1450. 1. All insurance companies, reciprocal or interinsurance exchanges authorized to write private automobile insurance, as defined in section 374.450, RSMo, within this state shall provide

4 premium discounts for motor vehicles equipped with anti-theft

5 mechanisms. These discounts shall apply to the comprehensive

6 coverage and shall not be less than ten percent. Some or all of the

7 premium discounts required by this subsection may be omitted upon

8 demonstration to the director that the discounts are duplicative of

9 other discounts provided by the insurer. In no event shall the non-use

10 of an anti-theft mechanism constitute grounds for an increase in policy

11 premiums or cancellations or non-renewal of a private automobile

12 insurance policy.

2. Insurers may require reasonable evidence of installation of any anti-theft mechanism but the insurer may not make requests so onerous as to effectually discourage the owner of the automobile from seeking the applicable discount.

3. As used in this section, the term "anti-theft mechanism" shall mean any passive or active anti-theft system and passive or active anti-theft devices permanently installed, either as original equipment from the manufacturer or as after market equipment on the vehicle, that is

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21 designed to inhibit the theft of the vehicle or its components.

224. The director shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, 23as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under 24the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it 25complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, 26 RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and 27chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested 2829with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are 30 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking 31 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2008, shall be invalid and void. 33

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