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SENATE BILL NO. 126

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR RUPP.

Pre-filed December 18, 2008, and ordered printed.

Read 2nd time January 22, 2009, and referred to the Committee on Small Business, Insurance and Industry.

Reported from the Committee February 19, 2009, with recommendation that the bill do pass.

Taken up for Perfection February 26, 2009. Bill declared Perfected and Ordered Printed.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 376, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to prohibiting discrimination in life insurance based on 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
2 state shall deny or refuse to accept an application for life insurance,
3 refuse to renew, cancel, restrict, or otherwise terminate a policy of life
4 insurance, or charge a different rate for the same life insurance
5 coverage, based upon the applicant's or insured's past or future lawful
6 travel destinations. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a life
7 insurance company from denying an application for life insurance, or
8 restricting or charging a different premium or rate for coverage under
9 such a policy based on a specific travel destination where the denial,
10 restriction, or rate differential is based upon sound actuarial principles
11 or is related to actual or reasonably anticipated experience.**

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

**16 3. The provisions of this section shall apply to any life insurance
17 policy issued or renewed on or after August 28, 2009.**

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