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A bill for an act

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relating to insurance; prohibiting household exclusions in policies of automotive

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insurance; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 65B.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. **[65B.137] HOUSEHOLD EXCLUSIONS.**

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Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have

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the meanings given them.

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(b) "Household exclusion" means an exclusion for, limitation on, or reduction of insurance

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coverage for bodily injury based on the injured person's status as a resident of the insured's

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household or as a relative of the insured. For purposes of this section, a person resides in

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the same household with the insured if the person's home is usually in the same family unit,

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even if the person is temporarily living elsewhere.

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(c) "Insured" means an insured under a policy of automobile insurance, as defined in

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section 65B.14, subdivision 2, regardless of whether the insured is identified by name in

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the policy.

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(d) "Relative" means, with respect to an insured:

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(1) a spouse, including a domestic partner in a civil union or other registered domestic

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partnership recognized by the state, and a spouse's parent;

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(2) a child and a child's spouse;

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(3) a parent and a parent's spouse;

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(4) a sibling and a sibling's spouse;

2.1 (5) a grandparent, a grandchild, or a spouse of a grandparent or grandchild; or

2.2 (6) any other individual who is related to the insured by blood or affinity and whose
2.3 association with the insured is equivalent of a family relationship, including but not limited
2.4 to:

2.5 (i) a child of a sibling of the insured;

2.6 (ii) a sibling of the parents of the insured; and

2.7 (iii) a child-in-law, a parent-in-law, a sibling-in-law, and a grandparent-in-law.

2.8 (e) For the purposes of this section:

2.9 (1) a child includes but is not limited to a stepchild; biological, adopted, or foster child
2.10 of the insured; or a child for whom the insured is standing or stood in loco parentis;

2.11 (2) a grandchild includes a stepgrandchild or biological, adopted, or foster grandchild
2.12 of the insured;

2.13 (3) a parent includes a stepparent; biological, adoptive, or foster parent of the insured;
2.14 a legal guardian; or an individual who stood in loco parentis to the insured; and

2.15 (4) a grandparent includes a stepgrandparent or biological, adoptive, or foster grandparent
2.16 of the insured.

2.17 Subd. 2. **Prohibition on household exclusion.** (a) A policy of automobile insurance,
2.18 as defined in section 65B.14, must not contain a household exclusion. A household exclusion
2.19 in a policy of automobile insurance is void.

2.20 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a policy of automobile insurance may contain a
2.21 household exclusion solely for insurance coverage for bodily injury resulting from fraud,
2.22 intentional or criminal conduct, and other exclusions expressly permitted by law.

2.23 Subd. 3. **Prohibition on increasing premium costs.** An insurance company issuing or
2.24 reissuing a policy in Minnesota is prohibited from increasing the premium charged to an
2.25 insured as a result of this section.

2.26 Subd. 4. **No endorsement required.** An endorsement, rider, or contract amendment is
2.27 not required for this section to be effective with respect to policies in effect on August 1,
2.28 2023.

2.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to all policies
2.30 of automobile insurance in effect on or after that date.