

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB3951

Introduced 2/17/2023, by Rep. Thaddeus Jones

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/154.9

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. In provisions concerning private passenger total loss claims, provides that a 30-day period within which a replacement vehicle must be purchased or leased in order for an insurer to reimburse the insured or third-party claimant for any use or occupation tax imposed by the State or a unit of local government and title and transfer fees shall be extended for the duration of a medical condition that results in the incapacitation of the insured.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by changing Section 154.9 as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/154.9)

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- Sec. 154.9. Payment of applicable use or occupation tax, title, and transfer fees on a private passenger total loss
- When an insurer determines that an insured's or 10 11 third-party claimant's private passenger automobile is a total loss that is covered under the terms of a personal automobile 12 policy issued or renewed on or after July 1, 2022 by the 13 14 insurer, the insurer shall pay any use or occupation tax imposed by the State or a unit of local government and title 15 16 and transfer fees as provided for in this Section. As used in this Section, "private passenger vehicle" means a private 17 passenger motor vehicle, station wagon, or any other 4-wheeled 18 motor vehicle with a load capacity of 1,500 pounds or less that 19 is not used in the occupation, profession, or business of the 20 21 insured or third-party claimant, not used as a public or 22 livery conveyance for passengers, nor rented to others.
 - (b) If the insurer elects to replace the insured vehicle,

- the insurer shall pay any use or occupation tax imposed by the State or a unit of local government tax and title and transfer fees on the replacement vehicle.
 - (c) If a cash settlement is provided for the total loss private passenger vehicle, the insurer shall reimburse the insured or third-party claimant for any use or occupation tax imposed by the State or a unit of local government and title and transfer fees if the replacement vehicle is purchased or leased within 30 days after the receipt of the cash settlement by the insured or third-party claimant and the insured or third-party claimant substantiates such purchase and the payment of such taxes and fees by submission of appropriate documentation to the insurer within 33 days after the receipt of the settlement or receipt of the required reimbursement form from the insurer, whichever is later.
 - (1) With respect to leased vehicles, use or occupation taxes and title and transfer fees shall be deemed to be incurred by the insured or the third-party claimant at the time the lease is entered into, but only if such use or occupation taxes and title and transfer fees are included in the cost of the lease or are paid directly by the insured or third-party claimant.
 - (2) The insurer is not required to reimburse the insured or third-party claimant for any use or occupation taxes and title or transfer fees in excess of the amount payable based on the value of the total loss vehicle at the

time of the loss or for taxes and title or transfer fees not actually paid by the insured or third-party claimant.

- (3) In lieu of this reimbursement procedure, the insurer may directly pay the required amount of any use or occupation taxes and title and transfer fees to the claimant at the time of settlement.
- (4) If an insurer requires a particular form be used to apply for reimbursement of any use or occupation taxes and title or transfer fees, the form must be delivered to the insured or third-party claimant at or before the time of settlement.
- (d) The 30-day period within which a replacement vehicle must be purchased or leased under subsection (c) shall be extended for the duration of a medical condition that results in the incapacitation of the insured.
- (e) (d) The Department may adopt rules establishing uniform standards for implementation of this Section, including, but not limited to, prescribing the method of determining the market value of the insured's or third-party claimant's vehicle.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 102-69, eff. 7-1-22.)