

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**  
4 **By: Representative Dawson**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## 7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT PREMIUMS FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
9 INSURANCE POLICIES DERIVED FROM THE ASSIGNED RISK POOL  
10 SHALL BE BASED ON INDUSTRY AVERAGE EXPERIENCE RATINGS  
11 INSTEAD OF A 1.0 EXPERIENCE RATING; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES."

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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16 SECTION 1. Premiums for workers' compensation insurance policies issued  
17 after the effective date of this Act and which are derived from the assigned  
18 risk pool shall be based on the industry average experience rating instead of  
19 a 1.0 experience rating.

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21 SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature  
22 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
23 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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25 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to  
26 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
27 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without  
28 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
29 Act are declared to be severable.

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31 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are  
32 hereby repealed.

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34 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
35 General Assembly that premiums for workers' compensation insurance policies

1 derived from the assigned risk pool are customarily based on a 1.0 experience  
2 rating; this Act requires the premiums for such policies to be based on the  
3 industry average experience rating; that the requirements of this Act are more  
4 reasonable than the current practice; and that until this Act becomes  
5 effective, the inequitable practice will continue. Therefore, an emergency is  
6 hereby declared to exist and this Act being immediately necessary for the  
7 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and  
8 effect from and after its passage and approval.

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