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New Information

Effective January 1, 2023, an insurer that issues commercial and fleet insurance policies will be required to electronically report to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) liability insurance policies or coverages issued, changed, or terminated.

The Notification of Alternative Forms of Financial Responsibility (REG 5085) form may be acceptable as evidence for commercial insurance to remove the insurance suspension until December 31, 2023. When removing a suspension, a $14 reinstatement fee is required.

Background

Currently, insurers that issue commercial and fleet insurance policies are exempt from the electronic reporting to DMV, which is required of insurers that issue private passenger liability insurance policies, when motor vehicle liability policies or coverages are issued, changed, or terminated.

References

Assembly Bill 174 (Chapter 254, Statutes of 2021)
Vehicle Code §16058
Notification of Alternative Forms of Financial Responsibility (REG 5085)

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