

Introduced by Senator Correa

February 22, 2007

An act to repeal Section 557.6 of the Insurance Code, relating to insurance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 629, as introduced, Correa. Automobile insurance: peace officers. Existing law requires any peace officer or firefighter, as defined, who has been involved in an accident to submit to his or her private automobile insurer a written declaration stating whether or not at the time of the accident he or she was operating an emergency vehicle, as defined, in the performance of his or her duty during the hours of his or her employment.

This bill would repeal that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 557.6 of the Insurance Code is repealed.
- 2 ~~557.6. Any peace officer or firefighter as defined pursuant to~~
- 3 ~~this section who has been involved in an accident shall submit to~~
- 4 ~~his or her private automobile insurer within 30 days of the accident~~
- 5 ~~his or her written declaration under penalty of perjury stating~~
- 6 ~~whether or not at the time of the accident he or she was operating~~
- 7 ~~an authorized emergency vehicle, as defined in subdivision (a) or~~
- 8 ~~(f) of Section 165 of the Vehicle Code or in paragraph (1) or (2)~~
- 9 ~~of subdivision (b) of Section 165 of the Vehicle Code in the~~
- 10 ~~performance of his or her duty during the hours of his or her~~

1 employment. In lieu of a written declaration, the peace officer or
2 firefighter may submit to the private automobile insurer a copy of
3 the incident report filed by the peace officer or firefighter with his
4 or her employer.

5 As used in this section, “peace officer” means every person
6 defined in Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 830) of Title 3
7 of Part 2 of the Penal Code, and “firefighter” means every person
8 defined in Section 50925 of the Government Code.