

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**HB 169**

**2018 Regular Session**

**Talbot**

Present law prohibits a notice of cancellation of an automobile liability, physical damage, or collision policy, based upon any reason other than for nonpayment of premium, from taking effect unless mailed by certified mail or delivered by the insurer to the named insured at least 30 days prior to the effective date of cancellation.

Proposed law would have retained present law and further authorized the notice of cancellation to be sent by first class mail using an Intelligent Mail barcode or other similar tracking method used or approved by the U. S. Postal Service.

Present law requires an insurer, who receives notice that the payment for the premium of an automobile, property, casualty, or liability policy was denied by the financial institution upon which it was drawn, to immediately, and in no case later than 10 days after the producer or premium finance company has notified the insurer of the failed payment, notify the named insured that the policy is canceled from the date the premium payment was due by certified mail or delivering to the named insured a written notice.

Proposed law would have retained present law and further authorized the notice of cancellation to be sent by first class mail using an Intelligent Mail barcode or other similar tracking method used or approved by the U. S. Postal Service.

(Proposed to amend R.S. 22:1266(D)(1) and (3)(b)(ii))

### **VETO MESSAGE:**

"Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill 169 of the 2018 Regular Session. This bill would eliminate the requirement that the cancellation of an insurance policy be sent via certified mail. Policyholders that have their insurance policies cancelled should be afforded the right to receive actual notice of cancellation. The existing requirement is an important one that should be maintained in law."