1-1 S.B. No. 188 By: Watson (In the Senate - Filed November 24, 2014; January 27, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce; 1-2 1-3 1-4 March 30, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 1; March 30, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-5

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to certain insurers' insurance rating and underwriting 1-19 1-20 practices based on certain consumer inquiries. 1-21

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 544.552, Insurance Code, is amended to 1**-**23 read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 544.552. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies only to a standard fire, homeowners, or farm and ranch owners insurance policy, including such policies written by: 1-25 1-26 1-27 1-28

 $\frac{(1)}{(2)}$ a farm mutual insurance company;

a county mutual insurance company;

a Lloyd's plan; and (3)

(4) a reciprocal or interinsurance exchange.

SECTION 2. 1-31 This Act applies only to an underwriting decision made on or after the effective date of this Act or a rate 1-32 1-33 for an insurance policy that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after that date. An underwriting decision made before 1-34 the effective date of this Act or a rate for a policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before that date is governed by the 1-35 1-36 1-37 law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, 1-38 and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015. 1-39

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