1-1 S.B. No. 698 By: Carona (In the Senate - Filed February 21, 2013; February 25, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce; 1-2 1-3 1-4 March 13, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; March 13, 2013, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE 1-6

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Carona	X			
1-9	Taylor	X			
1-10	Eltife	X			
1-11	Estes			X	
1-12	Hancock	X			
1-13	Lucio	X			
1-14	Van de Putte	X			
1-15	Watson	X			
1-16	Whitmire	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-18 AN ACT

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1-41 1-42 relating to the refund of unearned premium for a personal automobile or residential property insurance policy.

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

SECTION 1. Section 558.002, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

(d) An insurer shall refund the appropriate portion of any unearned premium to the policyholder not later than the 15th business day after the effective date of cancellation or termination of a policy of personal automobile or residential property insurance, as those terms are defined by Section 2301.051.

(e) For purposes of this section, "business day" means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday recognized by this state.

SECTION 2. Section 558.002, Insurance Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to an insurance policy delivered, issued for delivery or renewed on or after September 1, 2013. A policy that

delivery, or renewed on or after September 1, 2013. A policy that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before September 1, 2013, is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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