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VIA:

Thomas B Miller, Commissioner

Department of Revenue

FROM:

Richard Dobson, Executive Director

Office of Sales and Excise Taxes

DATE:

August 4, 2022

SUBJECT: Insurance Premiums Surcharge

KRS 136.392 requires the Department of Revenue (DOR) to calculate an estimate of insurance premiums surcharge due from each Kentucky-licensed property and casualty insurer based on insurance premiums reported to the Department of Insurance (DOI) during each calendar year compared to the actual amount of surcharge DOR has collected.

Note: DOI reported numbers are based on written policy premiums, whereas DOR reports actual policy premium collections. Therefore, there is limited usefulness in comparing these numbers. The exercise is more to obtain a data reference point rather than a basis for account reconciliation. Premium components such as "municipal taxes" or "finance and service charges" may also be included in data reported to DOI by providers. However, "municipal taxes" are not subject to the insurance premium surcharge.

For calendar year 2021, providers reported 1.85% higher gross premiums to DOR than DOI. This percentage is lower than the 3.75% rate for 2020. DOR continues to perform analysis and compliance as deemed warranted. Insurance Premium Surcharge receipts were up by 4.27% for the fiscal year ending June 2021.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Josh Hays, Supervisor, Financial Tax Section at (502) 564-9735.

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