

Managers log, Monday, May 4th 2020

If you usually drive many miles a year and pay higher auto insurance rates for doing so, you may be interested in the discounted auto insurance you can claim due to driving fewer miles during Stay in place, COVID-19 restrictions.

Auto insurance companies may ask you to submit odometer readings over a period of time, of which most of us don't keep track of in our personal vehicles. So the Insurance companies use their standard calculation systems.

In one release SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara issued a Notice requesting that all insurance companies provide their policyholders with at least a 60-day grace period to pay insurance premiums. The Commissioner made the request to ensure policies are not canceled for nonpayment of premium due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.

The [Notice](#) follows Governor Gavin Newsom's State of Emergency declaration to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare and mitigate against the broader spread of COVID-19. The Commissioner's Notice is directed to all admitted and non-admitted insurance companies that provide any insurance coverage in California including, life, health, auto, property, casualty, and other types of insurance.

“Now is the time to come together to help consumers weather this unprecedented period of uncertainty, and that includes helping policyholders maintain their insurance coverage if they are unable to pay their premiums,” said Commissioner Lara. “We must do everything we can to ensure that consumers and their families maintain insurance coverage protection during this public health pandemic.”

Commissioner Lara is also requesting that all insurance agents, brokers, and other licensees who accept premium payments on behalf of insurers take steps to ensure that customers have the ability to make prompt insurance payments, if and where possible. This includes alternate methods of payment, such as online payments, to eliminate the need for in-person payment methods in order to protect the health and safety of both workers and customers.

For more information and details go to our website www.kidefm.org Podcast & Downloads/Economy or Local News. Hope this helps. Thanks for listening.