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## Briscoe Endorses Lower Car Insurance Rate Bill

coe strongly endorsed a competitive car insurance rate bill Mon-Japanes day and flatly predicted it would cut the cost of automobile poli-

> Briscoe said he would declare clearing away a few minor par- bility of companies. liamentary hurdles.

"This bill retains the best fea-CLES tures of our current system of State Insurance board approval and standard automobile policies and is strongly oriented toward consumer protection," Briscoe said at a news conference in his reception room.

"It provides for competitive rates. It protects against insurwill lower automobile insurance rates in Texas."

each year, based on the combined Ben Bynum, D-Amarillo.

more than 300 companies writing car insurance in Texas.

But a company could apply to the board to deviate above or below the standard rates. The board would have to allow the deviations enactment of the compromise bill if they met criteria of fairness a matter of legislative emergency, to consumers and financial sta-

After some discussion, Briscoe was asked if he would like to qualify his prediction and merely Cotton. say he hoped it would reduce rates.

"No. . . . I am confident it coe said: will lower insurance rates," he

Standing at Briscoe's side were insurance board Chairman Joe ance company insolvency. And it Christie and the House and Senate sponsors of the bill: Sens. Oscar Mauzy, D-Dallas, and H. J. The bill would require the "Doc" Blanchard, D-Lubbock, and board to continue setting rates Reps. Don Cavness, D-Austin, and

pushing for a pure rate competition bill, with companies setting their own rates without any prior approval requirement.

Ae recently as Friday night Cavness had flatly rejected a prior approval system proposed by Christie.

The compromise was worked out over the weekend at meetings between Cavness, Bynum, Christie and Insurance Commissioner Clay

Asked if he was the motivating force behind the compromise, Bris-

"I asked Sen. Christie to work with the members of the legislature to reach the point where we are now."

Cavness said earlier he talked with Briscoe by telephone during the weekend negotiating sessions.

"What the governor expressed to me was that he wanted a change in the law that would, within rea-

flexibility to the companies as possible, with the general public getting the advantage of better rates," he said.

Bynum, chairman of the House Insurance Committee, said that recommended rate competition as surance rates. panel would consider the measure Tuesday night. Committee approval would clear the measure for House floor action.

Christie also said he would hold a news conference Tuesday to announce a board decision that would permit immediate cuts in fire and homeowners insurance

Under present law, a company can charge a different rate from the standard rate set by the board, but the board must approve a deviation before it can take effect. Several years ago, the board made deviations. Christie is expected to

announce an end to that policy. The legislature came close to

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sonable controls, allow as much home insurance bill at a special a way of reducing insurance costs. session last year. But the 30-day Immediately after the news ed driver to collection court from expiration date arrived before the conference, Briscoe signed a the other driver even though his House and Senate could negotiate "comparative negligence" bill sim- own negligence helped cause the a compromise. Former Gov. Pres- ilar to one that Smith vetoed in accident in which he was hurt. ton Smith called the session and 1971, claiming it would raise in-

The bill would allow an injur-

"My information is that it will not push rates up," Briscoe said.

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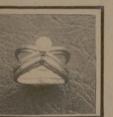
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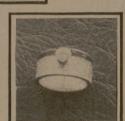




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