

Washington should be a state where all of us can afford our families' everyday needs, no matter our race or income.

## Ban use of Credit Scores to Calculate Insurance Rates

### Oppose SB 5623



When insurance companies use credit scores to calculate rates, low-income Washingtonians with safe driving records pay more for auto insurance than affluent residents who have poorer driving records.

**Families and working people should be able to get ahead, not penalized when facing financial hardship.**

Compared to Washington state drivers with Excellent credit, with all else being equal:

- Safe drivers with **Poor credit pay 79%, or \$370, more** on average
- Safe drivers with **Fair credit pay 35%, or \$165, more** on average

(From [2021 Data from the Consumer Federation of America](#))

**Racial bias in financial institutions stack higher barriers to building credit for Black, Indigenous, Latin@ and other people of color.**



*Allowing the use of credit scores by insurance carriers is only a proxy for the old redlining practices that's known to discriminate against poor people and people of color." [NAACP Alaska, Oregon, Washington.](#)*