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SUBJECT: AUTO ID CARDS - UPDATE

BACKGROUND: Legislation passed in 1995 added new requirements for information which must be included on all auto ID cards. The Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections (LDPSC) indicated an enforcement date of April 1, 1996. Refer to IIAL Technical Advisory #91, April 25, 1996.

MAIN POINTS: See reverse side of this Technical Advisory for a copy of the Department's description of items which must be included.

Most notable among the changes is the requirement to include:

- (1) the insurance company's name, address and NAIC number;
- (2) the agent's name, address and phone number;
- (3) the name(s) of any excluded drivers;

The LDPSC interpretation of the legislation is that **all** auto ID cards must be in compliance as of April 1, 1996. This would mean a complete reissuance of every auto ID card - not just those issued after April 1. Needless to say, this presents a monumental problem.

Another dimension to the problem is making sure that computer software be modified to produce the new information. **ACORD has already redesigned its form LA-50 (4/96 ed.) to comply with the new requirement.** For information, contact ACORD at 1-800-444-3341.

Regarding enforcement, the Department advises that each law enforcement agency will make their own decisions on how to handle enforcement of the new ID cards. IIAL has received reports of some law enforcement personnel being somewhat flexible with the new requirements, while others are not.

IIAL is currently in discussion with other industry groups, as well as key regulatory personnel, in an effort to minimize the disruption and upheaval which this has the potential to cause.

NECESSARY ACTION: Contact each auto insurance carrier the agency represents, as well as the agency's software vendor, to insure compliance as soon as possible.