



# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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COMMISSIONER

## DIRECTIVE 18-R

**TO: ALL PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURERS AND ENTITIES DOING BUSINESS IN LOUISIANA**

**FROM: JAMES J. DONELON, COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**


**RE: AUTOMOBILE TOTAL LOSS SETTLEMENTS  
(RESCISSION OF DIRECTIVE 18)**

**DATE: MAY 27, 2021**

All property and casualty insurers and entities doing business in this state are given notice that Directive 18, originally issued on January 10, 1974, is hereby rescinded.

Directive 18 provided guidance to property and casualty insurers and entities doing business in Louisiana by directing property and casualty insurers that issue automobile liability coverage to use all available sources of information to calculate the actual cash value of automobile total loss settlements. The requirements for determining the actual cash value of the motor vehicle in an automobile total loss settlement are now statutorily provided for in La. R.S. 22:1892(B)(5). Accordingly, Directive 18 has been superseded by statute and is therefore rescinded.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

  
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JAMES J. DONELON  
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE