

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2616**

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Senate, September 18, 2025 -- Text of the Senate Bill relative to affordable car rentals (Senate, No. 2616) (being the text of Senate document numbered 2603, printed as amended)

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to affordable car rentals.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 32E of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place  
3   thereof the following paragraph:-

4           A lessor shall provide and maintain, during such time as the lessor engages in the  
5   business of leasing motor vehicles under any system referred to in section 32C, a motor vehicle  
6   liability policy or bond or deposit, on a secondary or contingent basis, equal to not less than the  
7   financial requirements imposed on owners or registrants in the commonwealth if the lessee or  
8   operator does not have a motor vehicle liability policy or other coverage, which, in addition to  
9   providing indemnity, protection or security for personal injuries, shall, except in the case of  
10   vehicles leased for a term of more than 30 days, further provide indemnity, protection or security  
11   for damage to property as required by this chapter. If the lessee or operator holds a valid and  
12   collectible liability policy or other form of financial security which satisfies the minimum

13 financial requirements imposed on owners or registrants in the commonwealth, a lessor's  
14 obligation under this section shall be satisfied.

15 SECTION 2. Section 34M of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
16 striking out, in line 2, the words "thirty-four A" and inserting in place thereof the following  
17 words:- 34A or as required under section 32E.

18 SECTION 3. Said section 34M of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby further  
19 amended by striking out, in line 32, the words "section thirty-four A" and inserting in place  
20 thereof the following words:- sections 34A or 32E.