

By: Representative Cameron (By Request)

To: Insurance

HOUSE BILL NO. 1357

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83-11-501, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO PROVIDE THAT NO INSURER MAY RECOMMEND A PARTICULAR CONTRACTOR
3 FOR AUTOMOBILE GLASS REPAIR; TO PROVIDE THAT NO INSURER SHALL
4 ESTABLISH AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROCESSING OF CLAIMS OR BILLS WITH
5 A GLASS BROKER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. Section 83-11-501, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 83-11-501. (1) No insurer may recommend a particular
10 contractor or may require as a condition of payment of a claim
11 that repairs to a damaged vehicle, including glass repairs or
12 replacements, must be made by a particular contractor or motor
13 vehicle repair shop * * *.

14 (2) Insurers shall not raise the discount percent within
15 three percent (3%) of the average glass price increase.

16 (3) No insurer shall establish an agreement for the
17 processing of claims or bills with a glass broker or with an
18 entity that has a financial interest in an entity in this state
19 that installs or provides glass installation. For the purposes of
20 this subsection, the term "glass broker" means an automobile glass
21 company that acts as a third-party agent for the insurer whenever
22 the glass broker enters into agreements with other automobile
23 glass dealers to perform glass repair work or to install or
24 manufacture glass or to provide glass for installation.

25 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
26 and after July 1, 2001.