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To: Insurance

HOUSE BILL NO. 1263

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ANY AUTOMOBILE PHYSICAL DAMAGE INSURANCE POLICY OR AUTOMOBILE COLLISION INSURANCE POLICY DELIVERED OR ISSUED FOR DELIVERY IN THIS STATE AFTER JULY 1, 2002, 3 SHALL PROVIDE THAT WINDSHIELD REPLACEMENT SHALL BE PAID FOR IN FULL BY THE INSURER AND THAT NO DEDUCTIBLE OR EXCLUSION SHALL APPLY; TO AMEND SECTION 83-11-101, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 6 PROVIDE THAT ANY AUTOMOBILE UNINSURED MOTORIST COVERAGE SHALL 7 8 PROVIDE THAT WINDSHIELD REPLACEMENT SHALL BE PAID FOR IN FULL BY THE INSURER AND THAT NO DEDUCTIBLE OR EXCLUSION SHALL APPLY; AND 9 10 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 12 **SECTION 1.** Any automobile physical damage insurance policy
- 13 or automobile collision insurance policy delivered or issued for
- 14 delivery in this state after July 1, 2002, shall provide that
- 15 windshield replacement shall be paid for in full by the insurer
- 16 and that no deductible or exclusion shall apply.
- SECTION 2. Section 83-11-101, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 18 amended as follows:
- 19 83-11-101. (1) No automobile liability insurance policy or
- 20 contract shall be issued or delivered after January 1, 1967,
- 21 unless it contains an endorsement or provisions undertaking to pay
- 22 the insured all sums which he shall be legally entitled to recover
- 23 as damages for bodily injury or death from the owner or operator
- 24 of an uninsured motor vehicle, within limits which shall be no
- 25 less than those set forth in the Mississippi Motor Vehicle Safety
- 26 Responsibility Law, as amended, under provisions approved by the
- 27 Commissioner of Insurance; however, at the option of the insured,
- 28 the uninsured motorist limits may be increased to limits not to
- 29 exceed those provided in the policy of bodily injury liability
- 30 insurance of the insured or such lesser limits as the insured
- 31 elects to carry over the minimum requirement set forth by this

32 section. The coverage herein required shall not be applicable

33 where any insured named in the policy shall reject the coverage in

34 writing and provided further, that unless the named insured

35 requests such coverage in writing, such coverage need not be

36 provided in any renewal policy where the named insured had

rejected the coverage in connection with a policy previously

38 issued to him by the same insurer.

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39 (2) No automobile liability insurance policy or contract

40 shall be issued or delivered after January 1, 1980, unless it

41 contains an endorsement or provisions undertaking to pay the

42 insured all sums which he shall be legally entitled to recover as

43 damages for property damage from the owner or operator of an

44 uninsured motor vehicle, within limits which shall be no less than

45 those set forth in the Mississippi Motor Vehicle Safety

46 Responsibility Law, as amended, under provisions approved by the

47 Commissioner of Insurance; however, at the option of the insured,

48 the uninsured motorist limits may be increased to limits not to

49 exceed those provided in the policy of property damage liability

50 insurance of the insured or such lesser limits as the insured

51 elects to carry over the minimum requirement set forth by this

52 section. The coverage herein required shall not be applicable

53 where any insured named in the policy shall reject the coverage in

54 writing and provided further, that unless the named insured

55 requests such coverage in writing, such coverage need not be

56 provided in any renewal policy where the named insured had

57 rejected the coverage in connection with a policy previously

58 issued to him by the same insurer.

59 Except as otherwise provided herein, the property damage

60 provision may provide an exclusion for the first Two Hundred

01 Dollars (\$200.00) of such property damage; however, the uninsured

62 motorist provision need not insure any liability for property

63 damage, for which loss the policyholder has been compensated by

64 insurance or otherwise. Policies delivered or issued for delivery

- in this state after July 1, 2002, if the insured elects to have
- 66 uninsured motorist coverage, shall include the provision that the
- 67 insurer shall pay the full amount of the cost of windshield
- 68 replacement and that no deductible or exclusion shall apply.
- 69 (3) The insured may reject the property damage liability
- 70 insurance coverage required by subsection (2) and retain the
- 71 bodily injury liability insurance coverage required by subsection
- 72 (1), but if the insured rejects the bodily injury liability
- 73 coverage he may not retain the property damage liability coverage.
- 74 No insured may have property damage liability insurance coverage
- 75 under this section unless he also has bodily injury liability
- 76 insurance coverage under this section.
- 77 **SECTION 3**. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 78 and after July 1, 2002.