

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 4 - 1 - 0

Yeas: Avakian, Gordly, Monroe, Prozanski

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Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 3/5, 4/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires person adjusting the claim on behalf of the insurance company inform the consumer of their rights to get their car repaired at the shop of their choosing before recommending a certain repair shop. Requires written notice to be sent to consumer within three days if consumer chooses the recommended repair shop. Prescribes notice.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Anti-steering laws
- Preferred providers
- Role of insurance agents

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the original measure.

BACKGROUND: ORS 746.280 currently prohibits an insurance company from requiring that a particular repair shop make repairs in order to recover funds from a motor vehicle insurance policy. SB 523 A requires that the prohibition be stated prior to an insurer giving a recommendation and that the prohibition be given to the consumer in writing within three days if the consumer accepts the insurer's recommendation.