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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 407, L.D. 552, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit Rebates and Other Incentives Pertaining to Insurance Claims"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1802-A is enacted to read:

§1802-A. Rebates on motor vehicle glass repair prohibited

With respect to any motor vehicle glass repair paid for in whole or in part by an insurance company, a motor vehicle glass repair facility may not refund all or any part of the deductible to be paid by an insured customer, or give away any rebate, gift, prize, premium, bonus, fee or other monetary or tangible thing to an insured customer or any person not in the employ of the motor vehicle glass repair facility as an inducement to have the motor vehicle glass repair made at the repair facility.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of additional filing fees may also increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

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SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. It narrows the provision to apply only to motor vehicle glass repairs and prohibits a motor vehicle glass repair facility from refunding a deductible or any part of a deductible to be paid by insured customers or other persons as an incentive to have a motor vehicle glass repair made at the repair facility.

The amendment also adds a fiscal note.