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SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1689, L.D. 2395, Bill, "An Act Concerning Disclosure Requirements Under the Used Car Information Laws"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in the last blocked paragraph in the last line (page 2, line 16 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "\$1,500" and inserting in its place the following: '\$2,000'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2916-A, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1987, c. 261, is further amended to read:

2. Accidents. When a named insured or any other person who operates a motor vehicle insured under the policy is individually or are aggregately involved in 2 or more vehicle accidents while operating a motor vehicle insured under the policy, resulting in either personal injury or property damage in excess of \$500 the amount defined as a reportable accident under Title 29-A, section 2251, subsection 1. For the purpose of this subsection any of the following occurrences involving a motor vehicle operated by a named insured or such other person shall is not be considered an accident when:

A. The motor vehicle was struck from the rear;

B. The motor vehicle was struck while parked;

C. Only the operator of another motor vehicle involved in the accident was convicted of a crime, offense or violation contributing to the accident; or

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2 D. The named insured or other operator of the motor vehicle
insured under the policy or the insurer thereof of the
4 policy, was reimbursed by or on behalf of, a person
responsible for the accident or has a judgment against that
6 person.

8 When more than one motor vehicle in a household is insured by the
same insurer, the number of accidents which that would permit
10 nonrenewal shall must, for the aggregate, be increased by one for
each additional motor vehicle insured.'

12 Further amend the bill in the emergency clause in the last
line (page 2, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
14 "when approved" and inserting in its place the following: '30
days after approval'

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

20 **'FISCAL NOTE**

22 The additional workload and administrative costs associated
24 with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system
can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial
26 Department. The collection of additional fines may increase
General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

28 **SUMMARY**

30 This amendment provides that car dealers need not disclose
32 substantial collision damage unless the cost of repairing it
34 exceeds \$2,000. This amendment also creates a cross-reference to
maintain consistency between the Motor Vehicle Code and the
36 Insurance Code relative to accidents.

38 This amendment also sets the effective date at 30 days after
approval and adds a fiscal note to the bill.