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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 854, L.D. 1176, “An Act To Improve Fairness in Auto Insurance Claims”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §2910-B is enacted to read:

§2910-B. Assessment of value of motor vehicle

If an insurer uses the value of a comparable motor vehicle to assess the value of a damaged motor vehicle, the comparable motor vehicle used by the insurer must be in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island or New York and the value of that comparable motor vehicle must be its value in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island or New York to the extent comparable vehicles are available in these states. An insurer may use a comparable motor vehicle in a state not specified in this section only after determining that comparable motor vehicles are not available in the states specified in this section.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies the bill's provision regarding damaged vehicle value assessment, providing that insurers are required to use comparable motor vehicles in the designated states if available and are permitted to expand the search only after determining that comparable motor vehicles in those states are not available.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT