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H 1152. INSTALLING MV PARTS AND AIR BAGS. PROHIBITING AN INSURER FROM AUTHORIZING OR REQUIRING THE USE OF NONORIGINAL CRASH REPAIR PARTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS WITHOUT CONSENT FROM THE INSURED OR CLAIMANT AND PROHIBITING THE NONREPLACEMENT OF AIR BAGS. Adds new GS 58-36-90 to prohibit insurer from authorizing or requiring installation of nonoriginal crash repair part (defined as one of specified parts—mostly parts used to repair body damage to the vehicle--not made by original manufacturer or licensed affiliate) on vehicle without insured's written consent. Requires notice to insured any time such parts are used. Defines practice of using such parts and billing for original as insurance fraud. Violation is punishable by fine of \$500 per offense. Adds new GS 20-136.2 making it a Class 1 misdemeanor to install any object in lieu of an air bag. Effective Dec. 1, 2003 for offenses committed on and after that date.

Intro. by Cole.

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H 1152. INSTALLING MV PARTS AND AIR BAGS. Intro. 4/10/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes technical changes only.