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S 109. MOTOR VEHICLE GLASS REPAIRS. TO PROHIBIT COUPONING OR WAIVING OF DEDUCTIBLES IN MOTOR VEHICLE GLASS REPAIRS AND AUTOMOTIVE COLLISION REPAIR. Amends GS 58-3-180 to clarify that the requirement that automobile insurers allow claimant to select repair service includes automobile glass or collision repair services. Adds new GS 75-36 prohibiting the following practices by automobile glass repair services: (1) offering to finance payment of insurance deductibles on terms different from those offered to uninsured customers; (2) offering to provide a credit, rebate or financing arrangement for insurance deductible or co-payment; (3) advertising services as "free" where insurer will pay for service or for purpose of soliciting an insurance claim; or (4) offering to defer collection or issue repayment of insurance deductible for insured customer. Further provides that such practices are considered an unfair trade practice under GS 75-1.1 and may also be basis for civil action for damages.

Intro. by Carpenter.

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S 109. MOTOR VEHICLE GLASS REPAIR. Intro. 2/20/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes technical changes only.