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S 795. INSTALLING MV PARTS AND AIR BAGS. PROHIBITING AN INSURER FROM AUTHORIZING OR REQUIRING THE USE OF NONORIGINAL CRASH REPAIR PARTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIRS WITHOUT CONSENT FROM THE INSURED OR CLAIMANT AND PROHIBITING THE NONREPLACEMENT OF AIR BAGS. Enacts new GS 58-36-90 and 20-136.2 as title indicates. Violations of new provisions prohibiting insurers from authorizing or requiring use of nonoriginal crash repair parts are punishable by a fine of \$5,000 per offense. A violation of new provision prohibiting the nonreplacement of air bags is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Effective December 1, 2005, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

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