HOUSE BILL DRH40050-NE-7

Short Title:	Increase Accident Thresholds/Safe Driver Plan.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representative Warren.	
Referred to:		

1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE DAMAGE THRESHOLDS FOR ACCIDENTS DEFINED BY
3   THE SAFE DRIVER INCENTIVE PLAN.
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5   **SECTION 1.** G.S. 58-36-75 reads as rewritten:
6 "**§ 58-36-75. At-fault accidents and certain moving traffic violations under the Safe Driver**
7   **Incentive Plan.**
8   (a)   The subclassification plan promulgated pursuant to G.S. 58-36-65(b) may provide for
9 separate surcharges for major, intermediate, and minor accidents. A "major accident" is an
10 at-fault accident that results in either (i) bodily injury or death or (ii) only property damage of
11 ~~three thousand eight hundred fifty dollars ($3,850)~~ five thousand nine hundred seventy-five
12 dollars ($5,975) or more. An "intermediate accident" is an at-fault accident that results in only
13 property damage of more than ~~two thousand three hundred dollars ($2,300)~~ three thousand five
14 hundred seventy dollars ($3,570) but less than ~~three thousand eight hundred fifty dollars~~
15 ~~($3,850).~~ five thousand nine hundred seventy-five dollars ($5,975). A "minor accident" is an
16 at-fault accident that results in only property damage of ~~two thousand three hundred dollars~~
17 ~~($2,300)~~ three thousand five hundred seventy dollars ($3,570) or less. The subclassification plan
18 may also exempt certain minor accidents from the Facility recoupment surcharge. The Bureau
19 shall assign varying Safe Driver Incentive Plan point values and surcharges for bodily injury in
20 at-fault accidents that are commensurate with the severity of the injury, provided that the point
21 value and surcharge assigned for the most severe bodily injury shall not exceed the point value
22 and surcharge assigned to a major accident involving only property damage.
23   …."
24   **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2025, and applies to accidents
25 occurring on or after that date.