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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO INSURANCE - UNFAIR COMPETITION AND PRACTICES

Introduced By: Representatives Ucci, Winfield, and O'Neill

Date Introduced: February 28, 2012

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 27-29 of the General Laws entitled "Unfair Competition and
2 Practices" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **27-29-4.7. Auto body repair - Posted auto body labor rates.** – [Every insurer adjusting](#)
4 [motor vehicle property damage claims must reimburse a licensed auto body shop its posted auto](#)
5 [body labor rate when determining the amount required to repair a damaged vehicle to pre-](#)
6 [accident condition, provided that the auto body shop's posted labor rate does not exceed the](#)
7 [reimbursement amount approved by the vehicle's manufacturer for work performed at a licensed](#)
8 [dealership in the state of Rhode Island.](#)

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would require every insurer adjusting a motor vehicle property damage claim to
2 reimburse licensed auto body facilities their posted labor rates when determining the amount
3 required to repair the damaged vehicle to pre-accident condition.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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