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S.B. No. 778

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to repair of motor vehicles under an auto insurance  
3 policy.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Article 5.07-1, Insurance Code, is amended by  
6 adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:

7 (j) In this article, "insurer" means an insurance company,  
8 reciprocal or interinsurance exchange, mutual insurance company,  
9 capital stock company, county mutual insurance company, Lloyd's  
10 plan, or any other legal entity authorized to write auto insurance  
11 in this state. The term includes an affiliate, as described by this  
12 code, if that affiliate is authorized to write and is writing auto  
13 insurance.

14 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to an auto insurance policy  
15 that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after  
16 January 1, 2006. An auto insurance policy that is delivered, issued  
17 for delivery, or renewed before January 1, 2006, is governed by the  
18 law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act,  
19 and that law is continued in effect for this purpose.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.