

1-1 By: Jackson S.B. No. 944  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 24, 2011; March 8, 2011,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce;  
1-4 March 15, 2011, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-5 Nays 0; March 15, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the creation of an advisory committee to make  
1-9 recommendations to the commissioner of insurance regarding certain  
1-10 automobile insurance claims.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 1952, Insurance Code, is  
1-13 amended by adding Section 1952.308 to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 1952.308. ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) An advisory  
1-15 committee shall make recommendations to the commissioner  
1-16 regarding:

1-17 (1) the enforcement of this subchapter;

1-18 (2) preventing and penalizing the processing of  
1-19 third-party claims for damage to a motor vehicle in violation of  
1-20 Chapters 541 and 542;

1-21 (3) procedures, parts, or products used to repair a  
1-22 motor vehicle;

1-23 (4) rules and procedures related to automobile  
1-24 insurance claims for the costs of towing and storing motor  
1-25 vehicles; and

1-26 (5) any other matter relating to automobile insurance  
1-27 and the repair of motor vehicles.

1-28 (b) The advisory committee is composed of nine members  
1-29 appointed by the commissioner as follows:

1-30 (1) three members who represent motor vehicle repair  
1-31 facilities;

1-32 (2) three members who represent the public; and

1-33 (3) three members who represent the automobile  
1-34 insurance industry.

1-35 (c) A member of the advisory committee serves without  
1-36 compensation but is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable  
1-37 expenses incurred in attending meetings of the advisory committee.

1-38 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

1-39 \* \* \* \* \*