THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY TOEPEL, BARRAR, CIRESI, HARKINS, HEFFLEY, JONES, LONGIETTI, MILLARD, B. MILLER AND SCHMITT, JUNE 17, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, JUNE 17, 2019

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), entitled "An act relating to unfair insurance practices; prohibiting 2 unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts 3 and practices; and prescribing remedies and penalties," 4 further providing for unfair methods of competition and 5 unfair or deceptive acts or practices defined. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Section 5(a) of the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), known as the Unfair Insurance Practices Act, 10 11 is amended by adding a paragraph to read: 12 Section 5. Unfair Methods of Competition and Unfair or 13 Deceptive Acts or Practices Defined .-- (a) "Unfair methods of competition" and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices" in the 14 15 business of insurance means: 16 17 (10.1) If committed or performed with such frequency as to 18 indicate a business practice, mentioning the name of a vehicle rental company unless the insurance company includes disclosure 19 that there is no requirement to use any specific vehicle rental 20

- 1 company, the disclosure is provided orally and in writing or
- 2 <u>electronically at the time a claim is made and the disclosure</u>
- 3 <u>includes the following statement:</u>
- 4 Pennsylvania law gives you the right to choose any rental
- 5 <u>vehicle company and prohibits me from requiring you to choose</u>
- 6 <u>a particular vendor.</u>
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- 8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.