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House Bill 5362 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Cindy Denby

House Committee: Insurance

Senate Committee: Insurance

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Insurance Code to increase from \$500 to \$1,000 the amount of motor vehicle damage not covered by insurance for which a person may sue the responsible party under the State's no-fault insurance provisions.

The Code requires the owner or registrant of a motor vehicle to maintain security for payment of benefits under personal protection insurance, property protection insurance, and residual liability insurance. The Code precludes tort liability arising from the ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle for which the required security is in effect, subject to certain exceptions. The exceptions include damage to a motor vehicle of up to \$500, to the extent that the damage is not covered by insurance. Damages must be assessed on the basis of comparative fault, but may not be assessed in favor of a party who is more than 50% at fault.

The bill would increase the amount of damage in these provisions to \$1,000. The bill provides that damages could not be assessed if the damaged motor vehicle were being operated at the time of the damage without the security required by the Code.

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Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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