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INCREASE RESIDUAL BODILY INJURY AMOUNTS

House Bill 5218

Sponsor: Rep. Bruce Patterson First Committee: Insurance and

Financial Services

Second Committee: Civil Law and the

Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5218 AS INTRODUCED 10-16-01

The bill would amend the Insurance Code of 1956 (Public Act 218) to increase the minimum automobile liability insurance coverage. Under the act, an individual's no-fault insurance policy generally protects insured persons from being sued as a result of an auto accident, with certain exceptions. The required amount of coverage of the no-fault policy will pay up to that amount if it is determined that the insured individual was legally responsible for the accident. Current law sets the minimum liability coverage at \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or the death of one individual in any one accident, or \$40,000 because of bodily injury to or the death of any two or more individuals in any one accident. This means that the policy would pay up to \$20,000 for a person who is injured or killed in an accident, or up to \$40,000 for each accident in which several people were injured or killed. The bill would raise the minimum level of coverage to \$75,000 for one individual and \$150,000 for two or more individuals in any one accident.

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