

HOUSE BILL 998

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By: **Delegate Ivey**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2023

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Insurance Administration – Study on Diminished Value Within the**
3 **Automobile Industry**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration to study and make
5 recommendations about State practices on diminished value within the automobile
6 industry; and generally relating to a study on diminished value within the
7 automobile industry by the Maryland Insurance Administration.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
9 That:

10 (a) The Maryland Insurance Administration shall study and make
11 recommendations regarding State practices on diminished value within the automobile
12 industry.

13 (b) In conducting the study, the Administration shall:

14 (1) examine first-party coverage for diminished value;

15 (2) review State licensed insurance companies' compliance with existing
16 statutes, policies, and regulations;

17 (3) identify statutory and regulatory gaps in the implementation of current
18 practices;

19 (4) analyze the economic impact of statutory and regulatory gaps on
20 drivers and businesses in the State and State and local governments;

21 (5) develop recommendations for a uniform standard for valuation of
22 vehicles and vehicle claims; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (6) develop a framework for best practices which may include best practices
2 used in other states.

3 (c) On or before December 31, 2023, the Maryland Insurance Administration
4 shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with §
5 2–1257 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
7 1, 2023.