

April 6, 2022

The Honorable Mark Fraizer, Chair
House Technology and Innovation Committee
77 S. High Street 13th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

RE: NAMIC Support for Amended SB 236

Chairman Fraizer and Members of the Committee,

The National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies (NAMIC) appreciates the opportunity to offer our support for amended Senate Bill 236.

By way of background, NAMIC is the largest property and casualty insurance trade association in the country, with more than 1,500 member companies supporting regional and local mutual insurance companies as well as some of the country's largest national insurers.

Amended Senate Bill 236 is a straightforward piece of legislation to improve Ohio law by enabling insurers using an online platform to automatically enroll consumers via electronic methods into electronic communications. In addition, the language adopted in committee last week to ORC 1345.81 would modernize the law governing aftermarket crash parts. The amendment simply allows the use of salvage motor vehicle parts that are *sourced* by a licensed dealer, rather than the current requirement of *removed* by the licensed dealer. This minor change to Ohio law will improve the insurance claims process, while maintaining necessary consumer protections and is consistent with Ohio's neighboring states. For this reason, NAMIC supports the passage of amended SB 236.

If you or any members of the committee have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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