

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1359**

Introduced by

Representative Koppelman

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-40 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to a prohibition on preferred automobile repair shops.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 26.1-40 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Preferred repair shop - Prohibited.**

- 7 1. An insurance company may not recommend, give preference, give incentives, or  
8 communicate to a specific repair shop or chain of repair shops for the repair of  
9 automobiles covered by the insurance company.
- 10 2. An insurance company may assign an adjuster to evaluate the damage to the  
11 automobile and make an offer to the insured. If the insured disagrees with the offer,  
12 the insured may submit an estimate from a repair shop of the insured's choosing to  
13 justify the insured's claim the insurance offer should be higher.