#### HOUSE BILL 674

## 42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

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# AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PROVIDE FOR A STUDY OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE STUDY COMMITTEE. -- APPROPRIATION. --

A. There is created an "automobile insurance study committee". The committee shall study the automobile insurance laws and industry in New Mexico. The committee shall be composed of twelve members, consisting of four members of the house of representatives, four members of the senate and four members of the public. All members of the committee shall be appointed by the New Mexico legislative council. Of the public members appointed, one member shall be a consumer lawyer who regularly represents plaintiffs in accident cases, one member

shall be a representative of the insurance industry and two members shall be representatives of statewide consumer groups. The committee shall function from July 1, 1996 to November 31, 1996 and, upon its conclusion, shall report its findings and recommendations to the New Mexico legislative council.

One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative council service for expenditure in fiscal year 1997 for the purpose of contracting for expert services, including those of an actuarial consultant, and to pay per diem and mileage and other necessary expenses for a study of automobile insurance in New Mexico. unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1997 shall revert to the general fund.

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