
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 887

AN ACT CONCERNING UNINSURED MOTORIST COVERAGE FOR BODILY INJURY TO A NAMED INSURED OR RELATIVE DURING THE THEFT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.

SUMMARY:

This bill prohibits automobile insurers that issue or renew policies on or after October 1, 2011 from denying uninsured motorist coverage to a named insured or related householder who is struck as a pedestrian by the insured's motor vehicle or motorcycle while it was being stolen. The vehicle must be listed on the insured's policy.

Coverage under those circumstances is not currently required.

The bill also makes technical changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

BACKGROUND

Uninsured Motorist Coverage

Uninsured motorist coverage reimburses costs related to injuries to a person, his or her family members, or passengers if an uninsured or hit-and-run driver collides with his or her vehicle. Underinsured motorist coverage reimburses costs when an at-fault driver has insufficient insurance to pay for a person's total loss. This coverage will also protect a person hit as a pedestrian.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 41 Nay 0 (03/30/2011)