

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0119

Investigation of auto insurance claims.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Burkhardt, Harshman,
MacGuire, Olsen, Walters and Zwonitzer and
Senator(s) Case

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to property and casualty insurance;
2 requiring insurers to determine the full extent of damage
3 to a motor vehicle prior to accepting or rejecting an
4 insurance claim; specifying applicability; and providing
5 for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 26-15-124(b) is amended to read:

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11 **26-15-124. Claim to be accepted or rejected;**
12 **attorney's fee.**

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14 (b) Claims for benefits under a property or casualty
15 insurance policy shall be rejected or accepted and paid by

1 the insurer or its agent designated to receive those claims
2 within forty-five (45) days after receipt of the claim and
3 supporting bills. For a benefits claim under a property or
4 casualty insurance policy for damage to a motor vehicle,
5 the insurer or its agent designated to receive that claim
6 shall not reject or accept and pay the claim until the full
7 extent of damage to the motor vehicle is determined.

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9 **Section 2.** This act shall only apply to benefit
10 claims under a property or casualty insurance policy for
11 damages that occur on or after the effective date of this
12 act.

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14 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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