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Overview

This bill requires that an air bag that needs replacement be replaced with one made for the make, model, and year of the vehicle. Prohibits repairing collision damage without doing so.

Section

1 Mandatory air bag replacement.

Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines motor vehicle, person, air bag, and collision repair.

Subd. 2. Prohibited acts. (a) Prohibits knowingly repairing any collision damage on a vehicle that has a missing or deployed air bag without replacing it with one designed for that vehicle.

(b) Prohibits installing any object in lieu of an air bag designed for the make, model, and year of the vehicle.

Subd. 3. Exclusion. Provides that paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 does not apply to a vehicle that is more than seven years old prior to the year the repair is done.