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Rep. Fine Advances Proposal to Protect Motorists Involved in Accidents

GLENVIEW, IL – Continuing her efforts to protect all travelers while on Illinois roads, state Rep. Laura Fine (D-Glenview) recently advanced legislation to increase mandatory limited liability insurance requirements for Illinois drivers.

“All drivers are required to have insurance to protect themselves and others in case they are involved in an accident,” Fine said. “Since mandatory insurance was first put in place over twenty years ago, the cost of goods and services has increased while minimum coverage has not. This measure can help protect drivers from sky-rocketing cost of healthcare and more.”

Under current law, Illinois’ mandatory minimum auto liability insurance coverage requirement is among the lowest in the country. The bill raises coverage for bodily injury or death of one person from \$20,000 to \$25,000 and for two or more persons from \$40,000 to \$50,000. The proposal also increases minimum coverage for property damage from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

In 1989, the General Assembly began requiring all motorists to have auto insurance. The law was designed to ensure all drivers had minimum coverage so the person at fault could help cover medical costs and property damage caused by the accident.

“I know, first-hand, the important role that insurance plays when a loved one is involved in an automobile accident,” Fine said. “In some cases the minimum amount of liability can barely cover a portion of the medical care that people may need after an accident. This modest increase will add further protection to everyone on our roadways.”

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