

Senate Bill No. 1178

CHAPTER 303

An act relating to automotive repair, and making an appropriation therefor.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1178, Burton. Automotive repair.

Existing law, the Automotive Repair Act, provides for regulation by the Bureau of Automotive Repair in the Department of Consumer Affairs of the registration and licensing of automotive repair dealers.

This bill would require the Department of Consumer Affairs, in consultation with the Department of Insurance and other interested parties, to conduct a study in order to determine the best process for certifying crash parts. The bill would require the study to consider the appropriate standards or criteria for certifying crash parts and to include a recommendation as to which agency should oversee crash parts certification. The results of this study would be required to be reported to the Legislature by January 1, 2003.

This bill would appropriate \$125,000 from the Vehicle Inspection and Repair Fund to the Department of Consumer Affairs for allocation to the Bureau of Automotive Repair for purposes of this study. The bill would require that any funds not used for the study be returned to the Vehicle Inspection and Repair Fund.

Appropriation: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Department of Consumer Affairs, in consultation with the Department of Insurance and other interested parties, shall conduct a study in order to determine the best process for certifying crash parts. The study shall consider the appropriate criteria or standards necessary for certifying crash parts and shall include a recommendation regarding the appropriate agency to oversee crash parts certification. The results of this study shall be reported to the Legislature by January 1, 2003.

SEC. 2. The sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) is hereby appropriated from the Vehicle Inspection and Repair Fund to the Department of Consumer Affairs for allocation to the



Bureau of Automotive Repair for the purposes of conducting the study and preparing the report required by this act. Any unused funds from this study will revert from the bureau back to the Vehicle Inspection and Repair Fund.

