

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 SB1784

Introduced 2/15/2013, by Sen. Antonio Muñoz

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 27/15

Amends the Renter's Financial Responsibility and Protection Act. Provides that beginning January 1, 2014, the amount that a rental company may charge for a collision damage waiver shall increase to \$13.50 per day. Provides that beginning January 1, 2015, the amount that a rental company may charge for a collision damage waiver shall increase on the first day of the year and every year thereafter by the lesser of: (i) the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers for the previous calendar year as determined by the United States Department of Labor; or (ii) 5%. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Renter's Financial Responsibility and
- 5 Protection Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 27/15)

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- 7 Sec. 15. Prohibited practices.
- 8 (a) A rental company may not sell a damage waiver unless
- 9 the renter agrees to the damage waiver in writing at or prior
- 10 to the time the rental agreement is executed.
- 11 (b) A rental company may not void a damage waiver except
- 12 for one or more of the following reasons:
- 13 (1) Damage or loss while the rental vehicle is used to 14 carry persons or property for a charge or fee.
- 15 (2) Damage or loss during an organized or agreed upon 16 racing or speed contest or demonstration or pushing or 17 pulling activity in which the rental vehicle is actively 18 involved.
 - (3) Damage or loss that could reasonably be expected from an intentional or criminal act of the driver other than a traffic infraction.
- 22 (4) Damage or loss to any rental vehicle resulting from 23 any auto business operation, including but not limited to

repairing, servicing, testing, washing, parking, storing, or selling of automobiles.

- (5) Damage or loss occurring to a rental vehicle if the rental contract is based on fraudulent or material misrepresentation by the renter.
- (6) Damage or loss arising out of the use of the rental vehicle outside the continental United States when such use is specifically prohibited in the rental agreement.
- (7) Damage or loss occurring while the rental vehicle is operated by a driver not permitted under the rental agreement.
- (8) Damage or loss occurring while the rental vehicle is operated by a driver under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof and convicted of violating subsection (a) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.
- (c) A rental company shall not charge more than \$12.50 per full or partial 24 hour rental day for a collision damage waiver prior to January 1, 2014. Beginning January 1, 2014, a rental company shall not charge more than \$13.50 per full or partial 24 hour rental day for a collision damage waiver. Beginning January 1, 2015, the amount that a rental company may charge shall increase on the first day of the year and every year thereafter by the lesser of: (i) the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers for the previous calendar year as

- determined by the United States Department of Labor; or (ii)
- 2 <u>5%.</u>
- 3 (Source: P.A. 94-332, eff. 1-1-06; 95-249, eff. 1-1-08.)
- 4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 5 becoming law.