



URGENT UPDATE:

OHIO HOUSE BILL 636 INTRODUCED (AUTO INSURANCE TRANSPARENCY ACT)



Dear OABA Members,

We are writing to inform you of the recent introduction of Ohio House Bill 636, titled the Auto Insurance Transparency Act, in the 136th Ohio General Assembly.[1]
[5] Sponsored by Representative Mark Johnson (R), this bill was introduced on December 23, 2025, and aims to enhance transparency for consumers in auto insurance and repairs.

Key Provisions of HB 636:

- Requires insurers to provide clear disclosures about the use of aftermarket motor vehicle parts versus original equipment manufacturer (OEM) parts in repair estimates.
- Mandates that insurers offer coverage options for OEM parts, giving consumers greater choice in repairs.
- Amends existing code sections (e.g., 1345.81) and enacts new ones (3937.51–3937.54) to ensure consumers fully understand their insurance policies and the parts used in vehicle repairs.

This legislation directly impacts autobody shops by promoting consumer transparency on replacement parts, potentially shifting how repairs are quoted, approved, and performed. It defines 'repair facility' to include body shops like yours.

The bill is currently in the 'Introduced' stage in the House. We will continue to monitor its progress closely and provide updates.

For the full bill text and status, visit the Ohio Legislature website: [Ohio House Bill 636](#).

OABA will provide updates and advocacy guidance as this develops. Please contact us with questions or to discuss implications for your business.

Sincerely,
Ohio Autobody Association Board of Directors