1 AN ACT concerning insurance.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by adding Section 143.24d as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/143.24d new)
- Sec. 143.24d. Physical damage arbitration between
- 8 <u>insurers.</u>

20

21

22

2.3

- 9 (a) Insurers shall arbitrate and settle all disputed claims in the amount of \$10,000 or less made for automobile physical 10 damage between them in accordance with the terms of and rules 11 adopted pursuant to the Nationwide Inter-Company Arbitration 12 13 Agreement, or any successor thereto, as adopted and from time 14 to time amended by its members unless the parties mutually agree, on a case-by-case basis, to use another forum; the 15 alternate forum may include a court of competent jurisdiction, 16 17 in which case the claim shall be arbitrated or tried in that alternate forum. Mandatory arbitration of disputed claims 18 19 shall be limited solely to the issues of automotive physical
 - (b) Every insurer licensed to issue a policy of automobile insurance, as defined in subsection (a) of Section 143.13 of this Code, shall be a signatory of the Nationwide Inter-Company

damage liability and automotive physical damages.

- Arbitration Agreement or any successor thereto.
- 2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- becoming law. 3

1