

# HOUSE BILL REPORT

## HB 1576

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*As Reported By House Committee on:  
Financial Institutions & Insurance*

**Title:** An act relating to medical examinations required by a private passenger automobile insurance policy.

**Brief Description:** Restricting the location of medical examinations required by certain insurers.

**Sponsor(s):** Representatives R. Meyers, Dellwo, R. Johnson, Dorn, Ferguson and Zellinsky.

**Brief History:**

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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE**

**Majority Report:** *That Substitute House Bill No. 1576 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.*  
Signed by 8 members: Representatives Dellwo, Chair; Zellinsky, Vice Chair; Anderson; Dorn; Inslee; R. Johnson; R. Meyers; and Scott.

**Minority Report:** *Do not pass.* Signed by 5 members: Representatives Broback, Ranking Minority Member; Mielke, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Paris; Schmidt; and Winsley.

**Staff:** John Conniff (786-7119).

**Background:** Auto insurance companies often require a claimant to submit to a medical exam when claiming benefits for bodily injury.

**Summary of Substitute Bill:** Private passenger automobile insurers must reimburse insureds for travel, expenses and lost wages when the insurer requires the insured to attend a physical exam.

**Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:** Provisions requiring insurers to use health care professionals as close as possible to the insured's residence when a medical exam is required is replaced with provisions requiring reimbursement for costs of attending such exams.

*Fiscal Note:* Not requested.

*Effective Date of Substitute Bill:* Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

*Testimony For:* None.

*Testimony Against:* None.

*Witnesses:* None.