

# HOUSE BILL No. 4558

April 22, 1999, Introduced by Reps. Stallworth and Vaughn and referred to the Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

A bill to amend 1956 PA 218, entitled  
"The insurance code of 1956,"  
(MCL 500.100 to 500.8302) by adding section 3147.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           SEC. 3147. (1) IF AN AUTOMOBILE INSURER DECIDES TO RETAIN  
2 OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT IN WHOLE OR IN PART THE AUTO-  
3 MOBILE INSURER AND THE INSURED UNDER THE TERMS OF AN AUTOMOBILE  
4 INSURANCE POLICY, THE INSURED SHALL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
5 SELECT THE OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL.

6           (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL" MEANS  
7 AN ATTORNEY LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN THIS STATE WHO IS NOT AN  
8 EMPLOYEE OF THE AUTOMOBILE INSURER.