

Statement from Rep. Lana Theis on Auto No-Fault Reform Press Conference

On Thursday, September 14, 2017 Representative Lana Theis, Chairman of the House Committee on Insurance released the following statement:

“Numerous polls and studies continue to show that a majority of residents across our state believe they are paying too much for auto insurance. Every day I receive calls in my office and talk to residents from across Michigan who are paying too much for auto insurance. Some even have monthly insurance bills that are equal to or larger than their monthly mortgage payment.

“While we may disagree on the specifics, I am encouraged my fellow colleagues on both sides of the aisle and I can agree that drivers in Michigan are paying too much for auto insurance, and we must reform the system in order to reduce the cost of insurance.”

“There is no doubt that rampant fraud, the lack of accountability that permits medical providers to charge auto insurance provider three to four times as much for the same medical procedure, and prohibiting customers the option to choose the level of medical coverage they purchase play a key role in why Michigan drivers pay such high premiums.”

“Many of the elements of the plan outlined earlier today will not reduce the cost of auto insurance, and in fact will likely make matters worse. I look forward to working with all of my colleagues on reforms to address major cost drivers like a fee schedule, choice and fraud, along with other areas of our auto no-fault law. From the beginning my mission has been to ensure Michigan drivers get relief by reducing their insurance premiums; and to hear my colleagues agree with this principle is encouraging.”

Residents who wish to voice their opinion on auto no-fault insurance are encouraged to contact their legislator and the Office of Representative Lana Theis at (517) 373-1784 or LanaTheis@house.mi.gov.