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NOTICE OF LAW CHANGE

**PLEASE BE ADVISED
AUTO BODY LAW §5-38-1
EFFECTIVE JULY 16, 2009**

Pursuant to a recent statutory amendment enacted by the General Assembly, House Bill 5893 Substitute A and Senate Bill 0450 entitled, "Relating to Businesses and Professions- Automobile Body Repair Shops," has been amended as shown below effective July 16, 2009.

5-38-1. "Automobile body shop" defined. -- Automobile body shop, referred to as "auto body shop", includes any establishment, garage, or work area enclosed within a building where repairs are made or caused to be made to motor vehicle bodies, including fenders, bumpers, chassis and similar components of motor vehicle bodies as distinguished from the chassis, seats, motor, transmission, and other accessories for propulsion and general running gear of motor vehicles, except as provided in section 5-38-20. No repairs performed by licensees under this chapter may be performed using mobile units, but may only be performed at a fixed, licensed location. This section shall not apply to glass repair and installations or paintless dent repairs.

Please follow the links below for copies of the above-mentioned changes:

<http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/PublicLaws/law09/law09126.htm>

<http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/PublicLaws/law09/law09151.htm>

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