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Hon. Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy
Ministry of Finance
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Minister Bethlenfalvy,

In last week's edition of *Oshawa This Week*, the front cover highlighted a report that automobile insurance rates throughout the Durham Region decreased, while Oshawa residents experienced an increase of nearly 15% in the last year alone.

Auto insurance postal-code discrimination and price gouging have been long-standing issues for families throughout Ontario. Automobile drivers with clean records continue to be extorted while trying to make ends meet. Even the Premier noted that "Insurance companies are making tons of money and it's coming out of the pockets of Ontarians" and that they need to "treat people fairly right across the board."

The Official Opposition has long called for immediate action to end the practice of car insurance postal-code discrimination with various Private Member Bills, such as MPP Rakocevic's most recent Bill being re-tabled in the House.

Minister, I am following up on requests for the government to act with measures that will enhance fairness for all automobile drivers.

I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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cc:

Dan Carter, Mayor of Oshawa
John Henry, Chair of Durham Region
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