A Bill for an Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Warranties.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 481I-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

"(e) Funding of the state certified arbitration program shall be provided through an initial filing fee of \$200 to be paid by the manufacturer and \$50 to be paid by the consumer upon initiating a case for arbitration under this section. Every final decision in favor of the consumer issued by the independent arbitration mechanism shall include within its relief the return of the \$50 filing fee to the consumer. The director of commerce and consumer affairs may establish a trust fund for the purpose of administering fees and costs associated with the state certified arbitration program."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 17, 1996.)