

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 882 Civil Actions Against Insurers by Senator Baker

Provides that only an insured of the insurer may bring a civil action against the insurer under specified circumstances. Provides that the remedies specified under these provisions preempt other civil remedies created by statute or common law.

Requires an insurer to prove by clear and convincing evidence the allegations made in an action relating to the insurer's failure to settle a claim. Limits the liability of an insurer for failing to pay its policy limits under certain circumstances.

Authorizes parties to request certain court orders relating to unnecessary or inappropriate delay. Provides procedures for amending witness lists. (See bill for details)