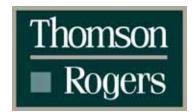
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- Five Year Review (Section 289.1)
- FSCO Report March 31, 2009
 - 39 Recommendations
 - Eased Tort Restrictions
 - Cost Savings in ABs

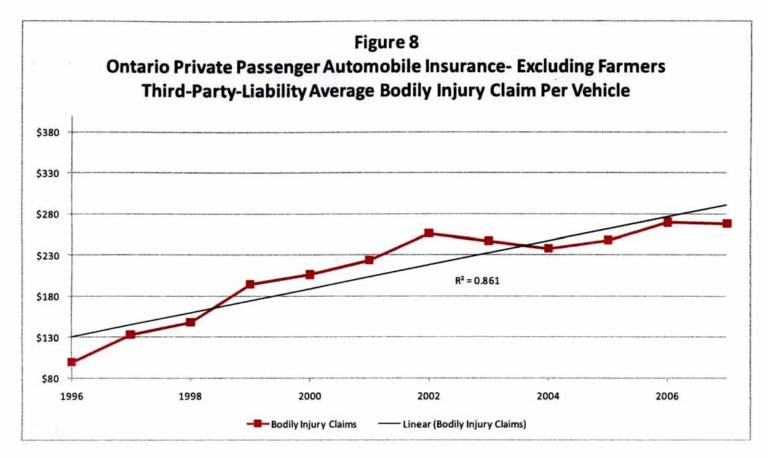


The Need for Reform

- Access to Justice
 - Limits on Tort Rights not justified
- Stability & Predictability
 - Profit Cycles
 - Rates
- Accident Benefits
 - Complexity
 - Assessment Costs
 - Transaction Costs
 - Proportionality



Access to Justice / Limits on Tort Right Unjustified / Tort Expenses

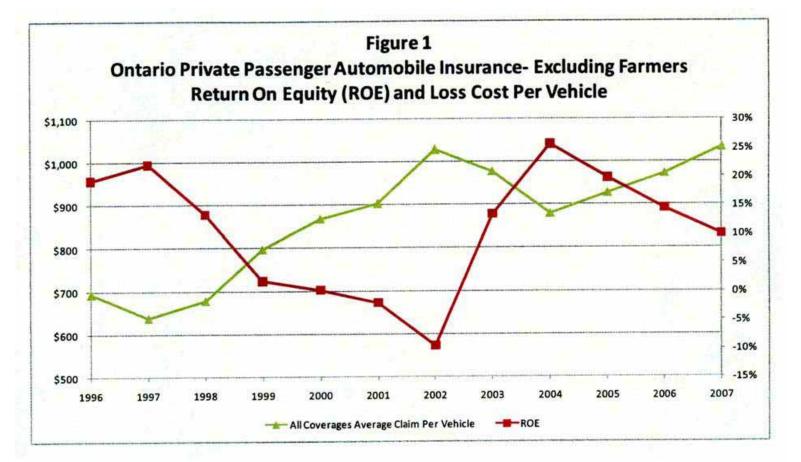




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Stability & Predictability





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Solutions

SABS

- 25% Benefits
- 75% Procedure

Transaction Costs

- 60 to 80¢ for each dollar paid
- Proportionality

Getting Benefit to Those in Need

- Reduce Delays
- Reduce Obstacles to Recovery
- Recognize Need



Insurance Industry Economics

- Rising Costs
- Diminishing Returns on Investments
- Cyclical Returns on Equity
- Loss Ratios

<u>Claims Paid + Loss Reserves</u> = Loss Ratio Premiums Collected



Objectives of Reform

- Long Term + Lasting
- Reasonable ROE over long run
- Stable Premiums
- Access to Justice
- Efficiency
- Effective Rehabilitation
- Consumer and Accident Victim Confidence

