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**Lorain County Court Grants Injunctions Against Body Shops**

Columbus – The Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration and Attorney General Marc Dann’s Office were granted injunctions in Lorain County Court of Common Pleas against three collision repair facilities operating without being registered with the state. The injunctions were granted March 8, 2007 following a complaint filed by the Attorney General. The three repair shops in Lorain County are Rapid Auto Body, Jeff’s Auto Body and Fender Mender. Each shop was found to be in violation of Ohio’s collision repair registration laws, and was ordered by the court to cease from acting or operating as a motor vehicle collision repair shop.

Michael Greene, Executive Director of the agency, indicated, “Enforcement efforts against illegal repair facilities will be stepped up in 2007. It is not the Board’s intention to close down repair shops, but rather bring them into compliance with state and federal regulations.” Mr. Greene pointed out that the law has been in effect long enough for existing shops to become compliant. He added, “It’s a consumer issue, and I would suggest everyone visit our website at [www.collisionboard.ohio.gov](http://www.collisionboard.ohio.gov) prior to choosing a repair facility. Consumers can check for registered shops at our e-licensing verification link, and learn the rights of a motorist when seeking auto repairs.”

The Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration was created in 1999 to regulate the collision repair industry and provide consumer protection. The Board is entirely funded by registration fees from collision shops, auto glass businesses, paintless dent repair companies and airbag replacement units throughout Ohio. The Board is made up of five collision repair shop owners, one mechanical repair shop owner, and one person to represent the public, who has no financial interest in the auto repair industry.

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