

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 48—Senator Hardy

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Encouraging automobile manufacturers to make certain information and tools available to independent garages for the repair of motor vehicles.

WHEREAS, The ability to diagnose, service and repair a motor vehicle in a timely, reliable and affordable manner is essential to the safety and welfare of the consumers in this State; and

WHEREAS, Consumers are entitled to choose among garages for the convenient, reliable and affordable repair of their motor vehicles, and increased competition among garages will benefit owners of motor vehicles in this State; and

WHEREAS, Computers are increasingly being used in motor vehicle systems, including pollution control, transmission, antilock brakes, electrical and mechanical systems, heating and air-conditioning, audio and steering, and the diagnosis, service and repair of those systems are essential to the safe and proper operation of a motor vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Access codes are often necessary for owners of motor vehicles to make or cause to be made the diagnosis, service and repair of their motor vehicles in a timely, reliable and affordable manner; and

WHEREAS, The owners of motor vehicles in this State are entitled to obtain information required for the diagnosis, service and repair of their motor vehicles, to choose between original parts and aftermarket parts, and to make or cause to be made the repairs required to maintain their motor vehicles in a serviceable condition; and

WHEREAS, Inaccessibility of certain information and diagnostic tools required to repair motor vehicles limits consumer choice and inhibits competition among garages; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Nevada Legislature encourages automobile manufacturers to make available to independent garages, in a manner consistent with regulations adopted by the California Air Resources Board, 13 C.C.R. § 1969, certain information, including, emission- and nonemission-related service information and training information, and diagnostic tools that are provided to franchised dealerships or authorized service networks; and be it further



RESOLVED, That making such service and training information and diagnostic tools available to independent garages in the same manner and to the same extent as to franchised dealerships and authorized service networks will allow such garages to provide the same diagnostic and repair services to consumers, thereby benefiting the residents of this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Nevada Automotive Wholesalers Association, the Nevada Franchised Auto Dealers Association, the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and the Association of International Automobile Manufacturers.

