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February 4, 2025

RE: Oppose HB 3177

Chair Sosa and Members of the Committee,

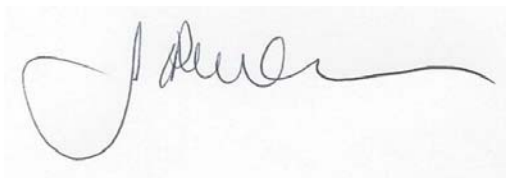
I am in my 34<sup>th</sup> year as a Portland Car Dealer that sells all makes of new and used vehicles. As a perfectionist I make every effort to have any and all recalls completed before a sale but things happen that you cannot always control. Here are some of the things that come to mind:

- Not all recalls are about safety so this bill would ground all vehicles for many of the wrong reasons.
- As used car dealers we are dependent on new car dealers to get the parts for these recalls and in many past cases the parts were not available for months, quarters and even year(s).
- Many used car dealers are small Oregon businesses that don't have the ability to financially hold a vehicle until it can be fixed.
- If a vehicle has a recall then trade values will be far less so consumers will be getting less money on trade which is not a good thing.
- Used cars are not new so consumers understand there are scratches, dents, imperfections and even at times recalls that are unable to be fixed right away so it really is no big deal.
- Many of these vehicles that have recalls will end up in the public for sale by private people so in the end this bill does nothing to combat the problem you think you are trying to fix. If car dealers refuse to buy them because of this bill these cars will end up for sale.
- Consumers today have more information at their fingertips such as Auto Check and Carfax vehicle history reports plus NHTSA so nobody is forcing them to buy a car with a recall if they choose to walk away. There is more information today than ever before.

This bill will only create more problems than what it intends to solve so that is why I oppose it.

No Way José on HB 3177!

Sincerely,



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