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On Behalf Of: B and R Auto Wrecking
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2706

My name is Jeff Mackie, Regional Vice President with B&R Auto Wrecking operating 11 dismantling facilities in the state of Oregon. I am testifying in support of HB2706 and the following amendments being requested.

1) Change dismantler certification cycle from every year to two years.

In 2019 the dismantlers certification was changed from a three-year renewal to one. This change has had a significant financial impact to our business being required to pay the fees much more frequently. It has also created pain points with city offices and local fire departments as scheduling inspections and zoning approvals come with long wait times often unable to fit within the certification time frame.

2) Add 6 parts to the "major components parts" list in Oregon Statute.

With theft on the rise and the increase in value for many auto parts I am in favor of adding tailgates, headlamps, taillamps, radio/navigation system, electric hybrid batteries and wheels to further help in curbing auto parts theft.

I appreciate the opportunity to speak and be heard on HB2706. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Jeff Mackie