



Preserving consumer choice and affordable repair in the automotive collision parts industry

## **Congress Reintroduces Bipartisan Auto Right to Repair Legislation to Protect Consumer Choice**

*Essential federal legislation safeguards consumer vehicle repair rights and ensures a competitive repair market.*

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** (February 25, 2025) – The Auto Care Association, MEMA Aftermarket Suppliers, CAR (Consumer Access to Repair) Coalition, and Commercial Vehicle Solutions Network (CVSN) applaud the reintroduction of the “Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair” (REPAIR) Act. The bill was introduced today by United States Representatives Neal Dunn (R-FL-02), Brendan Boyle (D-PA-02), Warren Davidson (R-OH-08) and Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (D-WA-03) alongside 12 additional bipartisan members. The REPAIR Act will protect consumers’ rights to repair their vehicles while also ensuring the continued safe operation of the nation’s 292 million registered passenger and commercial motor vehicles—70% of which are currently maintained by independent repair facilities.

The REPAIR Act safeguards vehicle owners’ access to essential repair and maintenance information, ensuring independent repair shops, parts manufacturers, and aftermarket service providers can continue to offer affordable and high-quality services. With the increasing complexity of modern vehicles, including advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS), telematics, and software-driven diagnostics, the legislation addresses growing concerns and existing barriers regarding fair access to repair information.

### **Why It Matters**

Research conducted by Hanover Research and Babcox indicates over 60% of independent repair facilities are [experiencing difficulties with routine repairs due to OEM barriers](#) and over 50% of those facilities need to send up to five cars per month back to the dealer, incurring further cost and inconvenience to drivers.

Without the REPAIR Act, automakers can continue to restrict access to repair data and tools, leading to higher repair costs, limited service options, and longer wait times for vehicle maintenance.

A broad coalition of consumer advocates, independent repair professionals, aftermarket suppliers, and trade organizations support the REPAIR Act as a necessary measure to uphold competition, affordability, and consumer rights in automotive repair.

## **Key Provisions of the REPAIR Act include:**

**Consumer Choice and Access** – Guarantees that vehicle owners, independent repair facilities, and parts manufacturers have access to diagnostic data, tools, and software necessary for safe maintenance and repairs.

**Fair Competition** – Prevents automakers from monopolizing repair information and services, allowing independent businesses to compete on a level playing field.

**Cybersecurity and Safety Protections** – Ensures access to vehicle repair data is secure and does not compromise vehicle safety or cybersecurity.

**Safety and Compliance** – Ensures access to critical repair data and tools needed to properly calibrate and restore brake systems, ADAS technologies, and other essential safety features, returning vehicles to their operational specifications and in compliance with federal motor vehicle safety and emissions laws, regulations, and standards.

“American consumers deserve full control over their vehicle repair and maintenance data to ensure they can find the best service for their vehicle at a reasonable price. Unfortunately, vehicle manufacturers are standing in the way of American consumers accessing their own data to use the repair shop of their choosing, limiting consumer choice,” **said Congressman Dunn**. “For far too long, manufacturers have championed anti-competitive practices by withholding crucial maintenance information, squeezing their customers and independent repair shops.

Your vehicle belongs to you, not the manufacturer. I am introducing the REPAIR Act to provide a binding, workable solution to anti-competitive behavior in the auto repair industry to reaffirm consumer control over their vehicle maintenance data and empower them to work with repair shops big and small.”

"Americans are tired of lip service about lowering prices or respecting the trades. We want to be able to fix our own stuff and to be stewards of our stuff and not reliant on a stream of cheap disposable crap. But auto manufacturers have made it increasingly difficult to have real agency," **said bill co-sponsor Rep. Gluesenkamp Perez**. "It's time for Congress to listen to ordinary Americans and pass right to repair legislation."

## **Industry and Consumer Support**

A survey conducted by the CAR Coalition highlights [strong consumer support for federal vehicle right-to-repair legislation](#). The survey reveals that 94% of vehicle owners want the freedom to choose where their vehicle is repaired, and 75% support legislation preventing automakers from restricting access to vehicle data.

With growing momentum, The REPAIR Act is expected to be a focal point in legislative discussions on consumer rights and automotive industry regulation.

For more information on the REPAIR Act and how to support it, visit [repairact.com](http://repairact.com).

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**About the Auto Care Association**

The Auto Care Association represents the entire supply chain of the \$500 billion auto care industry, encompassing businesses that manufacture, distribute, and sell motor vehicle parts, accessories, tools, equipment, materials, and supplies, as well as those that perform vehicle service, maintenance, and repair. As a leading advocate for the industry, the Association provides essential resources, including market intelligence, product data standards, and legislative representation. Recognized as the driving force behind the Right to Repair movement, it plays a pivotal role in fostering innovation and ensuring the competitiveness of the automotive aftermarket. Learn more at [autocare.org](http://autocare.org).

**About MEMA Aftermarket Suppliers**

MEMA Aftermarket Suppliers exclusively serves manufacturers of aftermarket components, tools and equipment, and related products, an important part of the automotive parts manufacturing industry which supports more than 930,000 American jobs in all 50 states. MEMA Aftermarket Suppliers is a recognized industry change agent – promoting a collaborative industry environment, providing a forum to address issues, and serving as a valued resource for member companies. Members represent all areas of the aftermarket including light vehicle, commercial vehicle, and remanufacturing. MEMA Aftermarket Suppliers is a membership group within MEMA, The Vehicle Suppliers Association.

MEMA is the leading North American trade association for vehicle suppliers, parts manufacturers, and remanufacturers. Automotive and commercial vehicle suppliers are the largest manufacturing sector in the United States and lead the way in new vehicle innovations. MEMA has been the voice of the vehicle supplier industry since 1904. Its more than 1,000 members are Strong by Association.

Members supply the aftermarket with the parts that keep millions of vehicles on the road, fueling international commerce and meeting society's transportation needs. MEMA members are committed to safety and sustainability.

MEMA has offices in Southfield, Mich.; Research Triangle Park, N.C.; and Washington, D.C. Learn more at [mema.org/aftermarket-suppliers](http://mema.org/aftermarket-suppliers).

## **About the CAR Coalition**

The CAR Coalition is committed to preserving and protecting consumer choice and affordable vehicle repair by ensuring competition in the automotive collision parts industry. Members include: Allstate, American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA), Automotive Body Parts Association (ABPA), Automotive Manufacturers Equipment Compliance Agency, Inc. (AMECA), AutoZone, Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA), Diamond Standard, Geotab, KSI Auto Parts, and LKQ Corporation. Learn more at [carcoalition.com](http://carcoalition.com)

## **About CVSN**

The Commercial Vehicle Solutions Network (CVSN) is the premier trade association advocating for the advancement of the entire independent commercial vehicle. Formed in 2006 through the merger of two associations, CVSN has grown to become the largest association of its kind in North America. The organization represents distributors, service and repair companies, suppliers, and business service providers, with a strong focus on legislative efforts that impact the industry. CVSN works tirelessly to influence policy, ensuring that independent vehicle repair businesses have the access they need to repair information, tools, and parts. This advocacy is part of the broader legislative pillar, through which CVSN members actively engage in shaping government decisions. By fostering involvement across the association, CVSN empowers its members to drive positive change both within their companies and the industry, making it a leader in supporting the right to repair.