



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

CAR Coalition Thanks Sen. Josh Hawley for REPAIR Act Support with Pair of I-44 Billboards in Missouri

Sen. Hawley's sponsorship of REPAIR Act moves pro-consumer national vehicle right-to-repair legislation forward

WASHINGTON D.C. (July 15, 2025) – The CAR Coalition is showing its appreciation to Sen. Josh Hawley (R-Mo.) for supporting a national vehicle right-to-repair law with a pair of billboards in his home state situated along the heavily traveled Interstate 44 corridor between Springfield and St. Louis.

In April, Sen. Hawley and Sen. Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM) [introduced](#) a Senate companion bill (S. 1379) to the REPAIR Act (H.R. 1566), which would establish a national vehicle right-to-repair law. This would allow consumers to choose where and how they get their cars and trucks repaired, lowering costs and increasing choice. The billboards, which are just east and west of the I-44/Route 109 interchange in Eureka (Exit 264), let Missouri residents know that Sen. Hawley is fighting to keep vehicle repair affordable.



The billboard facing westbound traffic will be receive an estimated 715,000 views during the one-month campaign, while the billboard facing eastbound traffic will receive an estimated 1.03 million views.

“We thank Sen. Hawley and all of the co-sponsors of the Senate and House versions of the REPAIR Act for their leadership on this bipartisan consumer issue,” said Justin Rzepka, CAR Coalition Executive Director. “Americans should have the right to choose an independent repair shop – or fix their own vehicles – and not be prevented from doing so by onerous automaker restrictions on their vehicle data.”

Automakers want to restrict access to vehicle data so consumers will be forced to use automaker parts and automaker-affiliated dealerships for repairs, where prices are higher and choices are fewer. The REPAIR Act would ensure that vehicle owners and the independent repair shops they chose would have access to the data needed to fix their cars and trucks. The SMART Act, also introduced in the House of Representatives, would enact patent reforms that would allow aftermarket manufacturers to produce parts that are equivalent to and less expensive than automaker parts, increasing consumer choice and lowering prices.

A recent national [survey](#) by [The Tarrance Group](#), and commissioned by the [CAR Coalition](#), showed that support for vehicle right to repair is strongly bipartisan, with 84% of Republicans and 82% of Democrats supporting the REPAIR Act.

Launched in 2020, the CAR Coalition has become a leading advocate for protecting consumer choices and access to vehicle data, fighting automakers’ attempts to monopolize the post-collision repair market and hoard vehicle data. The CAR Coalition has conducted extensive outreach to a bipartisan group of policymakers and supports federal legislation designed to protect consumer choice in the post-collision repair market.

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), AutoZone, Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA), Diamond Standard, Tire Pros, Carparts.com, PartsTrader, Farmers Insurance and LKQ Corporation. Learn more at carcoalition.com

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