



Testimony of
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Senate Transportation Committee
Testimony is Support of Senate Bill 374
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Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee:

My name is Katerina Dotzeva, a Director of Government Affairs with Insurance Auto Auctions. Insurance Auto Auctions has two salvage pool facilities in the state of Kansas and processes thousands of total loss vehicles per year for the insurance industry. Senate Bill 374 would allow certified employees of salvage pools to perform a VIN inspection of certain vehicles located at salvage pools.

IAA supports Senate Bill 374 for the following reasons:

- 1) It will expedite the required VIN inspection of certain vehicles. This would allow for a more expeditious disposition of these vehicles. For salvage pools, this would shorten the storage duration of vehicles, freeing up space in expensive facilities. For insurance companies, who own these vehicles through the claim settlement process, this would help insurance companies close their files more quickly, improving the efficiency of the claim settlement process, and, through receipt of vehicle sales proceeds, more quickly recover a portion of the settlement paid.
- 2) It will relieve the Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) from the inspection requirement of vehicles located at salvage pools, thus allowing KHP to focus on other important tasks. The KHP will still receive the same fee amount for the inspections conducted by salvage pools.

For the above reasons, Insurance Auto Auctions supports Senate Bill 374 and kindly ask that you pass the bill. Thank you for the opportunity to present these comments. If there are questions, I can be reached at (708) 492-7357.

Sincerely,

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