



April 29, 2019

The Honorable Lee Beyer
Joint Committee on Transportation
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

LKQ Supports Senate Bill 57

Dear Committee Chair Beyer and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of LKQ Corporation, we would like to express our strong SUPPORT for Senate Bill 57, *a bill that would allow the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to utilize electronic records reported to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) to reject a titling transaction if the vehicle history indicates a previous “junk” or similar designation.*

We applaud Oregon DMV’s efforts to keep these severely damaged vehicles from being allowed to be titled, rebuilt, or placed back on the roads. Due to consumer protection and public safety issues, vehicles that have been declared “junk” in the past are supposed to be transferred to end-of-life processing. Junk vehicles have sustained such extensive level of damage that are deemed useful only for dismantling, crushing or shredding. These vehicles are specifically designated as “junk” because they are no longer structurally safe to operate on public roadways.

LKQ Corporation is a leading provider of alternative and specialty parts to repair and accessorize automobiles and other vehicles. LKQ offers its customers a broad range of replacement systems, components, equipment and parts for automobiles, trucks, and recreational and performance vehicles. Globally, LKQ has an industry leading team of over 43,000 employees and operates over 630 facilities.

In Oregon, LKQ has 342 employees at 11 facilities located in the following cities: one (1) in Damascus, one (1) in Medford, four (4) in Portland, one (1) in Redmond, one (1) in Salem, one (1) in Tualatin, one (1) in Wilsonville, and one (1) in Woodburn. LKQ pays taxes on payroll of more than \$14.6 million.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide industry input and look forward to continuing the conversation in order to advance sound public policy related to Oregon’s automotive industry.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments or input. I can be reached at ebenezersdg@outlook.com and 754-248-9796.

Respectfully,

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