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TO: All Senators  
FROM: Senator Dave Argall *DA*  
DATE: November 2, 2011  
SUBJECT: Access to Motor Vehicle Information Act

In the near future I will be introducing legislation to make automobile manufacturer's codes available with no restriction or cost to local automotive repair shops.

Currently, automobiles come equipped with diagnostic computers with unlimited access available for certain dealerships. Auto manufacturers make codes available to privately owned repair shops and consumers at a cost. This added cost hurts local repair shops, which are primarily operated by small business owners, and consumers.

My legislation will allow open access to automobile codes and information per the discretion of the vehicle owner. This legislation recognizes that automobile consumers have the right to choose where their cars, trucks, motorcycles or other vehicles are repaired as well as full access to all of the repair information for the vehicles they purchase.

This legislation will expand the information necessary to make a proper vehicular diagnosis for Pennsylvania consumers.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Susan Bentzel in my office at 7-2637 or at [sbentzel@pasen.gov](mailto:sbentzel@pasen.gov).