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Pennsylvania Auto Theft Prevention Authority

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Honorable Barry J. Jozwiak  
PA House of Representatives  
155B East Wing  
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Re: HB No. 1509 (Session of 2019-2020)

Sir:


I am writing to you on behalf of the Pennsylvania Automobile Theft Prevention Authority with regard to HB No. 1509 introduced by you in this session. This bill provides for the issuance of a 2 in 1 sticker by PennDOT to validate both inspection of the vehicle and registration of same. The Authority supports this legislation as we believe that the ability of police officers to visually observe proof of registration (or lack thereof) is a valuable tool in identifying stolen vehicles and apprehending individuals involved in such crimes.

We had previously opposed legislation which removed the requirement for display of registration stickers on vehicles registered in Pennsylvania.

The Authority was created in 1994 by Act 171 to "fund activities in this Commonwealth to prevent, combat, and reduce automobile theft". A copy of our most recent report to the Governor and General Assembly is included with this letter.

Please feel free to consider us a resource on any matter which may impact vehicle crimes and auto theft in the Commonwealth. I can be contacted at (717) 591-7097 or via email at: [swheeler@watchyourcar.org](mailto:swheeler@watchyourcar.org).

Sincerely,

  
Steven R. Wheeler  
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