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To ensure consumers have access to data relating to motor vehicles of the consumers and critical repair information and tools for such motor vehicles, to provide such consumers with choices for the maintenance, service, and repair of such vehicles, and for other purposes.

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Mr. DUNN of Florida (for himself, Ms. PEREZ, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. AMODEI of Nevada, Ms. PETTERSEN, Mr. BOST, Ms. NORTON, Mr. ROSE, and Mr. KHANNA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Right to Equitable and
3 Professional Auto Industry Repair Act” or the “REPAIR
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. MAINTAINING COMPETITION AND DATA PRIVACY**

6 **AFTER CONSUMERS PURCHASE MOTOR VEHI-**
7 **CLES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—

9 (1) PROHIBITION ON MOTOR VEHICLE MANU-
10 FACTURERS WITHHOLDING VEHICLE-GENERATED
11 DATA, CRITICAL REPAIR INFORMATION, AND
12 TOOLS.—A motor vehicle manufacturer may not em-
13 ploy any technological barrier or specified legal bar-
14 rier that impairs the ability of—

15 (A) a motor vehicle owner (or a designee
16 of a motor vehicle owner) to access vehicle-gen-
17 erated data pursuant to paragraph (2);

18 (B) a motor vehicle owner (or a designee
19 of a motor vehicle owner), an aftermarket parts
20 manufacturer, a diagnostic tool manufacturer, a
21 manufacturer of motor vehicle equipment, an
22 aftermarket parts remanufacturer, or a motor
23 vehicle repair facility (or a distributor or service
24 provider of a motor vehicle repair facility) to ac-
25 cess critical repair information and tools;

1 (C) a motor vehicle owner (or a designee of
2 a motor vehicle owner) to use a motor vehicle
3 towing or service provider chosen by such owner
4 (or such designee);

5 (D) an aftermarket parts manufacturer, a
6 motor vehicle equipment manufacturer, an
7 aftermarket parts remanufacturer, or a motor
8 vehicle repair facility (or a distributor or service
9 provider of a motor vehicle repair facility) to
10 produce or offer compatible aftermarket parts;
11 or

12 (E) a motor vehicle owner (or a designee
13 of a motor vehicle owner) to diagnose, repair,
14 and maintain a motor vehicle in the same man-
15 ner as any motor vehicle manufacturer or motor
16 vehicle dealer.

17 (2) REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE VEHICLE-GEN-
18 ERATED DATA TO MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS.—A
19 motor vehicle manufacturer shall—

20 (A) provide for a motor vehicle owner (or
21 a designee of a motor vehicle owner), without
22 restriction or limitation, in or at the same man-
23 ner, time, method, cost (less discounts and re-
24 bates), data content set, and subject to the
25 same cryptographic or technological protections

1 as any motor vehicle manufacturer, motor vehi-
2 cle dealer, authorized motor vehicle service pro-
3 vider, or any other third party to whom such
4 manufacturer provides vehicle-generated data,
5 to have access to vehicle-generated data—

6 (i) through and including the interface
7 ports of the motor vehicle (including OBD
8 port and J-1939); and

9 (ii) to the extent such vehicle is
10 equipped for wireless transmission of such
11 data, over wireless technology via any
12 telematics system; and

13 (B) make available to motor vehicle owners
14 (or designees of motor vehicle owners),
15 aftermarket parts manufacturers, aftermarket
16 parts remanufacturers, diagnostic tool manufac-
17 turers, and motor vehicle repair facilities (and
18 the distributors and service providers of such
19 facilities) without restriction or limitation, in or
20 at the same manner, time, method, cost (less
21 discounts and rebates), data content set, and
22 subject to the same cryptographic or techno-
23 logical protections, as any motor vehicle manu-
24 facturer, motor vehicle dealer, authorized motor
25 vehicle service provider, or any other third

1 party to whom such manufacturer provides ve-
2 hicle-generated data, any critical repair infor-
3 mation and tools related to the motor vehicles
4 such manufacturer manufactures.

5 (3) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN MANDATES RE-
6 LATED TO REPAIRS.—Except for recall and warranty
7 repairs, repair or maintenance service procedures,
8 recommendations, service bulletins, repair manuals,
9 position statements, or other similar repair or main-
10 tenance guides that are distributed to consumers or
11 to professional repairers, a motor vehicle manufac-
12 turer may not—

13 (A) mandate or imply a mandate to use
14 any particular brand or manufacturer of parts,
15 tools, or motor vehicle equipment; or

16 (B) recommend the use of any particular
17 brand or manufacturer of parts, tools, or motor
18 vehicle equipment without a prominent notice
19 immediately following the recommendation, in
20 the same font as the recommendation and in a
21 font size no smaller than the font size used in
22 the recommendation, stating that: “Vehicle
23 owners can choose which repair parts, tools,
24 and motor vehicle equipment to purchase and
25 should carefully consider their options.”.

1 (4) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN LIMITATIONS.—

2 Motor vehicle manufacturers may not limit the num-
3 ber or types of persons who a motor vehicle owner
4 may designate as simultaneous designees under this
5 subsection.

6 (5) LIMITATION.—A motor vehicle manufac-
7 turer, including any affiliate of such manufacturer
8 and any person working on behalf of such manufac-
9 turer, may not be considered or treated in the same
10 way as the motor vehicle owner (or a designee of the
11 motor vehicle owner) for any purpose, except for in-
12 clusion in notifications of persistent access to vehi-
13 cle-generated data.

14 (6) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in
15 this Act may be construed to—

16 (A) limit or expand any law or right relat-
17 ing to intellectual property;

18 (B) require a motor vehicle manufacturer
19 to divulge any trade secret (as defined in sec-
20 tion 1839 of title 18, United States Code) that
21 is not made available to motor vehicle owners
22 (or designees of motor vehicle owners),
23 aftermarket parts manufacturers, aftermarket
24 parts remanufacturers, diagnostic tool manufac-
25 turers, and motor vehicle repair facilities (and

1 the distributors and service providers of such
2 facilities) pursuant to paragraph (2)(B); or

3 (C) preclude a motor vehicle manufacturer
4 from employing cryptographic or technological
5 protections necessary to secure vehicle-gen-
6 erated data, safety critical vehicle systems, and
7 motor vehicles.

8 (7) REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS RECEIVING
9 VEHICLE-GENERATED DATA.—

10 (A) REVOCATION OF DESIGNATION.—A
11 motor vehicle owner may revoke the designation
12 of a designee of such owner in the same manner
13 that such designee is designated and without
14 any unreasonable or deceptive burden or barrier
15 on such owner.

16 (B) REQUEST TO DELETE DATA.—Except
17 as provided in subparagraph (D), a person who
18 accesses vehicle-generated data shall delete such
19 data not later than 72 hours after the relevant
20 motor vehicle owner requests (digitally or in
21 writing) the person to do so, with the exception
22 of such data that is necessary to retain for
23 motor vehicle maintenance record-keeping, ac-
24 counting, and safety purposes.

1 (C) USE OF DATA.—Except as provided in
2 subparagraph (D), a person who accesses or
3 stores vehicle-generated data—

4 (i) may not use such data for any
5 purpose unrelated to the diagnostics, re-
6 pair, service, wear, and calibration or re-
7 calibration of parts and systems of the
8 motor vehicle as such services are re-
9 quested by the motor vehicle owner; and

10 (ii) may not sell, license, or transfer
11 such data to any other person, except as
12 requested or consented to by the motor ve-
13 hicle owner for the purpose of diagnostics,
14 repair, service, wear, and calibration or re-
15 calibration of parts and systems of the
16 motor vehicle.

17 (D) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EX-
18 CEPTION.—

19 (i) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—
20 Notwithstanding subparagraphs (B) and
21 (C), a manufacturer of motor vehicles,
22 parts, or tools may use and retain vehicle-
23 generated data in a de-identified form for
24 purposes of research and development re-

lated to the manufacture or service of such motor vehicles, parts, or tools.

(ii) DATA IN A DE-IDENTIFIED FORM DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term “data in a de-identified form” means information that does not identify and is not linked or reasonably linkable to a distinct individual or motor vehicle, regardless of whether the information is aggregated, and with respect to which the manufacturer of the motor vehicle, parts, or tools—

(I) takes reasonable technical measures to ensure that the information cannot, at any point, be used to re-identify an individual or device that identifies or is linked or reasonably linkable to an individual;

(II) publicly commits in a clear and conspicuous manner—

(aa) to process and transfer the information solely in a de-identified form without any reasonable means for re-identification; and

1 (bb) to not attempt to re-
2 identify the information with any
3 individual or any device that
4 identifies or is linked or reason-
5 ably linkable to an individual;
6 and

7 (III) contractually obligates any
8 person or entity who receives the in-
9 formation from such manufacturer—

10 (aa) to comply with each
11 provision of this clause with re-
12 spect to the information; and

13 (bb) to require that such ob-
14 ligation is included contractually
15 in any subsequent instance in
16 which the information may be re-
17 ceived by such person or entity.

18 (b) NULLIFICATION OF ATTEMPTS TO RESTRICT
19 COMPETITION AND CONSUMER RIGHTS.—Any provision
20 in a contract executed on or after the date of the enact-
21 ment of this Act by or on behalf of a motor vehicle manu-
22 facturer that purports to violate subsection (a) shall be
23 null and void to the extent that such provision would allow
24 the motor vehicle manufacturer to avoid the prohibitions
25 and requirements described in subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 3. FAIR COMPETITION AFTER VEHICLES ARE SOLD**
2 **ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commission
5 shall establish an advisory committee to be known as the
6 “Fair Competition After Vehicles Are Sold Advisory Com-
7 mittee” (in this section referred to as the “Advisory Com-
8 mittee”).

9 (b) CHAIR.—The Chair of the Commission (or a des-
10 ignee of the Chair) shall serve as the head of the Advisory
11 Committee.

12 (c) MEMBERSHIP.—The Advisory Committee shall be
13 composed of the following members:

14 (1) The Director of the Bureau of Competition
15 (or a designee of the Director).

16 (2) The Administrator of the National Highway
17 Traffic Safety Administration (or a designee of the
18 Administrator).

19 (3) 11 individuals, appointed by the Chair of
20 the Commission, to be comprised of 1 individual
21 from each of the following:

22 (A) Independent motor vehicle repair facili-
23 ties.

24 (B) Motor vehicle parts retailers.

25 (C) Motor vehicle parts distributors.

1 (D) Original motor vehicle equipment parts
2 manufacturers.

3 (E) Aftermarket parts manufacturers.

4 (F) Aftermarket tools manufacturers.

5 (G) Motor vehicle manufacturers.

6 (H) Motor vehicle dealership service cen-
7 ters.

8 (I) Consumer rights organizations.

9 (J) Automobile insurers.

10 (K) Trucking companies.

11 (d) FUNCTION.—The Advisory Committee shall pro-
12 vide recommendations to the Commission on—

13 (1) the implementation of this Act;

14 (2) competition issues after motor vehicles are
15 sold, including such issues facing the motor vehicle
16 repair industry (especially existing and emerging
17 barriers related to motor vehicle repair); and

18 (3) how to ensure motor vehicle owners main-
19 tain control over the vehicle-generated data of the
20 motor vehicles of such owners.

21 (e) DUTIES.—In carrying out the function described
22 in subsection (c), the Advisory Committee shall—

23 (1) foster industry collaboration in a clear and
24 transparent manner;

1 (2) coordinate with and include participation by
2 the private sector, including representatives of—

3 (A) independent motor vehicle repair facili-
4 ties;

5 (B) motor vehicle parts retailers;

6 (C) motor vehicle parts distributors;

7 (D) original motor vehicle equipment parts
8 manufacturers;

9 (E) aftermarket parts manufacturers;

10 (F) aftermarket tools manufacturers;

11 (G) motor vehicle manufacturers;

12 (H) motor vehicle dealership service cen-
13 ters;

14 (I) consumer rights organizations;

15 (J) automobile insurers;

16 (K) trucking companies;

17 (L) members of the public; and

18 (M) other interested parties; and

19 (3) assess existing and emerging barriers to
20 competitive motor vehicle repair.

21 (f) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Committee shall meet
22 not fewer than 3 times per year at the call of the head.

23 (g) REPORTS.—

1 (1) CONTENTS.—On at least an annual basis,
2 the Advisory Committee shall issue a report to the
3 Commission that includes—

4 (A) a description of efforts by the indus-
5 tries represented within the Advisory Com-
6 mittee to comply with this Act; and

7 (B) an assessment of existing and emerg-
8 ing barriers to motor vehicle repair and control
9 of motor vehicle owners over the vehicle-gen-
10 erated data of the motor vehicles of such own-
11 ers, including whether additional types of data
12 should be included in the definition of vehicle-
13 generated data.

14 (2) SUBMISSION.—Not later than 30 days after
15 the date on which the Commission receives a report
16 issued pursuant to paragraph (1), the Commission
17 shall submit a copy of the report to the Committee
18 on Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-
19 resentatives and the Committee on Commerce,
20 Science, and Transportation of the Senate.

21 (h) TERMINATION.—

22 (1) PROCESS.—The Advisory Committee shall
23 terminate upon an agreement of a majority of the
24 membership.

1 (2) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days prior to
2 the date on which the Advisory Committee termi-
3 nates, the Advisory Committee shall provide notice
4 of and a basis for the termination to the Committee
5 on Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-
6 resentatives and the Committee on Commerce,
7 Science, and Transportation of the Senate.

8 **SEC. 4. RULEMAKING.**

9 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
10 ment of this Act, the National Highway Traffic Safety Ad-
11 ministration, in consultation with the Commission, shall
12 promulgate, under section 553 of title 5, United States
13 Code, regulations to require motor vehicle manufacturers
14 and motor vehicle dealers to inform motor vehicle owners
15 about the rights of such owners under this Act at the point
16 of purchase of a motor vehicle.

17 **SEC. 5. ENFORCEMENT BY FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.**

18 (a) UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES.—
19 A violation of this Act or a regulation promulgated under
20 this Act shall be treated as a violation of a regulation
21 under section 18(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Trade Commis-
22 sion Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(a)(1)(B)) regarding unfair or de-
23 ceptive acts or practices.

24 (b) POWERS OF COMMISSION.—The Commission
25 shall enforce this Act and any regulation promulgated

1 under this Act in the same manner, by the same means,
2 and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as
3 though all applicable terms and provisions of the Federal
4 Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.) were incor-
5 porated into and made a part of this Act, and any person
6 who violates this Act or a regulation promulgated under
7 this Act shall be subject to the penalties and entitled to
8 the privileges and immunities provided in the Federal
9 Trade Commission Act.

10 (c) COMPLAINT PROCESS.—

11 (1) FILING BY COMPLAINANT.—Any person al-
12 leging any action taken or refused to be taken by
13 any party subject to this Act in violation of this Act
14 may file a complaint with the Commission briefly
15 stating the facts of such allegation.

16 (2) NOTIFICATION AND RESPONSE.—Upon re-
17 ceiving a complaint filed pursuant to paragraph (1),
18 the Commission shall forward the complaint to the
19 party named in the complaint and request that such
20 party answer such complaint in writing within a rea-
21 sonable time determined by the Commission.

22 (3) FURTHER ACTION.—

23 (A) RELIEF OF LIABILITY.—If the party
24 named in the complaint ceases the conduct al-
25 leged in such complaint and otherwise makes

1 reparation for any harm or injury alleged to
2 have been caused within the time determined
3 pursuant to paragraph (2), the party shall be
4 relieved of liability to the complainant only for
5 such allegation.

6 (B) ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION.—If the
7 party named in the complaint does not satisfy
8 the complaint as described in subparagraph (A)
9 within the time determined pursuant to para-
10 graph (2) or if there is any reasonable ground
11 for continuing to investigate such complaint,
12 the Commission shall investigate the allegation
13 described in such complaint in such manner
14 and by such means as the Commission deter-
15 mines proper.

16 (C) CLARIFICATION.—A complaint may
17 not be dismissed because of the absence of di-
18 rect damage to the complainant.

19 (4) ORDERS BY COMMISSION.—

20 (A) DEADLINE.—The Commission, with
21 respect to any investigation of a complaint filed
22 pursuant to paragraph (1), shall issue an order
23 concluding such investigation not later 5
24 months after the date on which the complaint
25 was filed.

1 (B) APPELLATE PROCESS.—Any order
2 concluding an investigation pursuant to sub-
3 paragraph (A) shall be a final order and may
4 be appealed to the United States District Court
5 for the District Court of Columbia.

6 **SEC. 6. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) AFTERMARKET PART.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “aftermarket
10 part” means any part offered for sale or for in-
11 stallation in or on a motor vehicle after such ve-
12 hicle has left the production line of the motor
13 vehicle manufacturer.

14 (B) EXCLUSIONS.—Such term does not in-
15 clude any original motor vehicle equipment or
16 part manufactured for a motor vehicle manu-
17 facturer.

18 (2) AGENCY.—The term “agency” has the
19 meaning given that term in section 551 of title 5,
20 United States Code.

21 (3) AUTHORIZED MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE
22 PROVIDER.—The term “authorized motor vehicle
23 service provider” means a person who—

24 (A) has an arrangement with a motor vehi-
25 cle manufacturer under which the motor vehicle

1 manufacturer grants to the individual or busi-
2 ness a license to use a trade name, service
3 mark, or other proprietary identifier for the
4 purpose of offering the service of diagnosis,
5 maintenance, or repair of a motor vehicle under
6 the name of the motor vehicle manufacturer; or

7 (B) has another arrangement with the
8 motor vehicle manufacturer to offer such serv-
9 ices on behalf of the motor vehicle manufac-
10 turer.

11 (4) AUTOMATED DRIVING SYSTEM.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “automated
13 driving system” means the hardware and soft-
14 ware that collectively are capable of performing
15 the entire dynamic driving task on a sustained
16 basis, regardless of whether such hardware and
17 software are limited to a specific operational de-
18 sign domain.

19 (B) INCLUSIONS.—Such term includes
20 motor vehicles designed to be operated exclu-
21 sively by a Level 4 or 5 automated driving sys-
22 tem (as defined by the SAE International
23 standard J3016, published on April 30, 2021,
24 or subsequently adopted by the Secretary) for
25 all trips.

1 (C) EXCLUSIONS.—Such term does not in-
2 clude motor vehicle components not specifically
3 and solely related to a dynamic driving task.

4 (5) BARRIER.—The term “barrier” means a re-
5 striction that prohibits, makes more difficult, or
6 tends to make more difficult the ability of a person
7 to exercise rights under this Act.

8 (6) CHAIR.—The term “Chair” means the
9 Chair of the Commission.

10 (7) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
11 means the Federal Trade Commission.

12 (8) CRITICAL REPAIR INFORMATION AND
13 TOOLS.—The term “critical repair information and
14 tools” means all of the technical and compatibility
15 information, tools, equipment, wiring diagrams,
16 parts nomenclature and descriptions, parts catalogs,
17 repair procedures, training materials, software, and
18 technology, including information related to
19 diagnostics, repair, service, and calibration or re-
20 calibration of parts and systems, necessary to return
21 a motor vehicle to operational specifications.

22 (9) DYNAMIC DRIVING TASK.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “dynamic
24 driving task” means all of the real-time oper-

1 ational and tactical functions required to oper-
2 ate a motor vehicle in on-road traffic.

3 (B) EXCLUSIONS.—Such term does not in-
4 clude strategic functions, such as the scheduling
5 of trips and the selection of destinations and
6 waypoints.

7 (10) INSURER.—The term “insurer” has the
8 meaning given that term in section 313(r) of title
9 31, United States Code.

10 (11) MOTOR VEHICLE.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “motor vehi-
12 cle” has the meaning—

13 (i) given that term in section
14 30102(a) of title 49, United States Code;
15 and

16 (ii) given the term “trailer” in section
17 390 of title 49, Code of Federal Regula-
18 tions.

19 (B) EXCLUSION.—Such term does not in-
20 clude a vehicle equipped with an automated
21 driving system.

22 (12) MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER.—The term
23 “motor vehicle dealer” means a dealer (as defined in
24 section 30102(a) of title 49, United States Code)
25 who has an agreement with a motor vehicle manu-

1 facturer related to the diagnostics, repair, or service
2 of a motor vehicle.

3 (13) MOTOR VEHICLE EQUIPMENT.—The term
4 “motor vehicle equipment” has the meaning given
5 that term in section 30102(a) of title 49, United
6 States Code.

7 (14) MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER.—The
8 term “motor vehicle manufacturer” means an entity
9 that manufactures a motor vehicle (as defined in
10 section 30102(a) of title 49, United States Code).

11 (15) MOTOR VEHICLE OWNER.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “motor vehi-
13 cle owner” means a person with a present pos-
14 sessive ownership right in a motor vehicle.

15 (B) EXCLUSIONS.—Such term does not in-
16 clude—

17 (i) a motor vehicle manufacturer; or

18 (ii) a person operating on behalf of—

19 (I) a motor vehicle manufacturer;

20 (II) a motor vehicle financing

21 company;

22 (III) a motor vehicle dealer; or

23 (IV) a motor vehicle lessor.

24 (16) MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR FACILITY.—The
25 term “motor vehicle repair facility” means any per-

1 son who, in the ordinary course of business, is en-
2 gaged in the business of diagnosis, service, mainte-
3 nance, repair, or calibration or recalibration of
4 motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment.

5 (17) PERSON.—The term “person” means an
6 individual, trust, estate, partnership, association,
7 company, or corporation.

8 (18) REMANUFACTURER.—The term “remanu-
9 facturer” means a person who uses a standardized
10 industrial process by which previously sold, worn, or
11 non-functional products are returned to same-as-new
12 (or better) condition and performance in a process
13 that is in line with specific technical specifications
14 (including engineering, quality, and testing stand-
15 ards) and yields fully warranted products.

16 (19) SERVICE PROVIDER.—The term “service
17 provider” means any designee of a motor vehicle
18 owner or motor vehicle repair facility employed by
19 such motor vehicle owner or motor vehicle repair fa-
20 cility to assist with the diagnosis and repair of a
21 motor vehicle, including the diagnosis and repair of
22 wireless and remote technologies or any other wire-
23 less and remote services comparable to such pro-
24 vided by a motor vehicle manufacturer.

1 (20) SPECIFIED LEGAL BARRIER.—The term
2 “specified legal barrier” means—

3 (A) a request for a waiver of the right of
4 a motor vehicle owner under this Act to use a
5 motor vehicle repair facility of the choosing of
6 such owner;

7 (B) a requirement for such a waiver as a
8 condition for purchasing, leasing, operating, or
9 obtaining warranty repairs for a motor vehicle;
10 or

11 (C) an offer for such owner to receive any
12 compensation or other incentive for such a
13 waiver.

14 (21) TECHNOLOGICAL BARRIER.—The term
15 “technological barrier” means any technological re-
16 striction that prohibits, makes more difficult, or
17 tends to make more difficult the ability of a person
18 to exercise rights under this Act.

19 (22) TELEMATICS SYSTEM.—The term
20 “telematics system” means any system in a motor
21 vehicle that collects vehicle-generated data and
22 transmits such data using wireless communications
23 to a remote receiving point where such data is
24 stored.

25 (23) VEHICLE-GENERATED DATA.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “vehicle-gen-
2 erated data” means any direct, real-time, in-ve-
3 hicle data generated, or generated and retained,
4 by the operation of a motor vehicle related to
5 diagnostics, repair, service, wear, and calibra-
6 tion or recalibration of parts and systems re-
7 quired to return such vehicle to operational
8 specifications in compliance with Federal motor
9 vehicle safety and emissions laws, regulations,
10 and standards.

11 (B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term vehicle-gen-
12 erated data does not include—

13 (i) diagnostics, repair, service, wear,
14 and calibration or recalibration of parts
15 and systems required to return an auto-
16 mated driving system to operational speci-
17 fications; or

18 (ii) any personally identifiable infor-
19 mation.

20 **SEC. 7. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

21 Not later than 2 years after the date of the enact-
22 ment of this Act, and every 2 years thereafter, the Com-
23 mission shall submit to the Committee on Energy and
24 Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Com-

1 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
2 Senate a report that includes—

3 (1) a summary of investigations conducted and
4 orders issued pursuant to section 5(c), including de-
5 scriptions of unfair practices relating to repair and
6 data access restrictions and a summary of best prac-
7 tices from stakeholders;

8 (2) actions by the Commission to adapt to
9 changes and advances in motor vehicle technology to
10 maintain competition in the motor vehicle
11 aftermarket and to ensure motor vehicle owners
12 maintain control over the vehicle-generated data of
13 the motor vehicles of such owners; and

14 (3) any recommendations by the Commission
15 for legislation that would improve the ability of the
16 Commission and other relevant agencies to further
17 protect consumers from unfair acts limiting competi-
18 tion in motor vehicle repair and strengthen con-
19 sumer control over vehicle-generated data.

20 **SEC. 8. RELATIONSHIP TO STATE LAWS.**

21 A State, or political subdivision of a State, may not
22 maintain, enforce, prescribe, or continue in effect any law,
23 rule, regulation, requirement, standard, or other provision
24 having the force and effect of a law of the State, or polit-
25 ical subdivision of the State, that is covered by any provi-

1 sion of this Act or any regulation promulgated pursuant
2 to this Act.

3 **SEC. 9. SEVERABILITY.**

4 If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof
5 to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remain-
6 der of this Act, and the application of such provision to
7 other persons not similarly situated or to other cir-
8 cumstances, shall not be affected by the invalidation.

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