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Dear Chairman and Honorable members of the House Corporations Committee,

My name is *Paul D'Adamo*. I currently work for Rebuilders Automotive Supply. We work directly with the Auto Recycling industry nationwide. Also, I was the former owner of Bill's Auto Parts in Cumberland, RI. As a former small business owner and long time member of the Auto Recyclers Association, I thought it was important for me to submit written testimony **against** House bill 6325.

The key elements of my testimony are the following:

- This bill has nothing to do with auto repair, its only about body shops making more money at the expense of small used parts suppliers like me.
- Putting year and mileage requirements on parts makes no sense, when vehicles models are often made with the same parts for an entire model series. All the parts on a car are essentially "used" and sometimes a "new" replacement part will be older than the "used" part that is put on someone's car. Why aren't new parts then held to the same standard.
- Putting a 50 mile limit on the source of these parts makes no sense at all. I would hope that this language would scare any business-person where product can be shipped overnight from just about anywhere. Should a any small business be subjected to such restrictive laws? Will "new" parts have the same restriction? All it will do is make less quality used parts available to repair cars.
- Auto Recyclers are designated as "essential business" during the epidemic due to their role in the Automotive Supply Chain and Metals Processing Infrastructure. They has stayed opened during the pandemic to make sure people got their cars fixed quickly. But like all businesses, it's a difficult time for our industry. This bill could mean the end of the small business used part suppliers that provide affordable, quality sourced parts.

In conclusion, this is an anti-consumer, anti-jobs and anti-small business bill and should not see the light of day outside of this committee. Please do the right thing and vote this bill down.

Sincerely,

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