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Dear Chairman McCormack and members of the Committee:

Please accept this letter in support of an amendment to Senate Bill 149 on behalf of IHS Markit. IHS Markit is the parent company to R.L. Polk & Co. and Carfax.

R. L. Polk & Co. obtains vehicle title and registration records in all United States and Canadian jurisdictions. This amendment provides conformity between state and federal law. R. L. Polk & Co. has partnered with states by obtaining this information since 1922 as we have provided critical services that benefit the state and its residents.

Among the services IHS Markit provides:

- Safety recall and important vehicle advisories
- CARFAX vehicle history reporting (used by consumers and car dealers)
- Market planning for product and parts availability
- Statistical reporting to support automotive dealers and manufacturers

Senate Bill 149, as introduced, includes a repeal of a public records provision that predates the enactment of the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act. The federal Act strictly governs the use of data contained within title and registration records. Nearly every state has some specific reference or similar language included in its state statutes. With the repeal included in Senate Bill 149, there will be no such reference to access motor vehicle records.

As such, we would respectfully request a technical amendment that would ensure the conformity between state and federal law, like the majority of states.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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